

It Seems I Came to Another World, Now What Should I Do

Arc 1: It looks like I came to a different world, but how do I do it?

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Chapter 1 – When I tried to go to the Company, I was sent flying into the Another World

At 6:30, both my alarm clock and my smartphone has impatiently begun ringing.

I set them both just in case I didn't feel like waking up, but, man, my head is ringing. They were both set earlier by half an hour because there is a meeting this morning. While half asleep, I feel around my bedside with my hands. I press the switch of the alarm clock that my hand finds, which stops the bell. To force myself to wake up, I bought one with a loud ring for the time being, but this, it's going to upset the neighbors.

I stop the alarm on my smartphone that my hands also find. Then, I open up the screen and check my mail.

There's no alert that any obstructions have come. Thank goodness.

As soon as I let out a breath in relief, once again, the alarm clock starts ringing. Ahh. I pressed the wrong switch because I was half asleep.

I flipped over the alarm clock and turned it off using another switch.

"Sle... Sleepy."

While shaking my metabolic stomach, I reluctantly get out of my <u>futon</u>. I already miss its warmth.

My wife used to wake me up until 2 years ago, but after the divorce, I have to deal with everything on my own.

Empty feelings are welling up.

"I'll only take a shower, and for breakfast, maybe I'll eat at work..."

While being caressed by the cold air, I shiver in the bathroom waiting for the hot water to come out.

Because it's an old apartment, it will take around 5 minutes to warm up.

"Today's meeting is the kickoff meeting of the year-end, company-wide,

simultaneous renewal of the telephone system. I wonder if that guy has prepared all the paperwork."

I remember my junior's face.

Aah, after my divorce, day after day the chance of speaking to myself is increasing.

After making sure that the hot water is starting to come out, I take off my pajamas, and lightly throw it on the futon after folding it.

I shove my underwear in the clothes basket and enter the bathroom. I bask in the hot water coming out from the shower.

My feet, that have been freezing since I got out of the futon, now have a numbing, warm, feeling spreading into them.

"The end of the year is already close, and yet the days are still unchanging" With a self-ridiculing smile, I roughly wipe my body.

My hair is really short, close to a sport's cut, so there's no need for grooming.

I put on my underwear and my shirt, then I sit down on my computer chair.

I check today's news and the stock price of holding using my smartphone branded with an apple mark.

"Another day with no worthwhile change. There's nothing big in the news, there was also no big changes yesterday as well. I feel like things will stay as is for a while. Having to sell a lot is a pain too."

With my daily morning routine done with, the time to leave is coming up slowly.

"Well, let's do my best today as well."

I was still not aware that [The days that I thought will never change] will, in a short while, undergo a great change.

putting on my suit, picking up my commuter's bag, and putting on my shoes, after opening my apartment's door,

all I see is a blinding, shining-white space.

"Eh?"

The space which was supposed to be a small corridor leading to the first-floor stairs is not there, instead, there is only a white space spreading from the doorway.

"What is this? What just happened? Can someone explain this to me?"

I half-heartedly ask the question while not waiting for the reply in this space.

<Situation recognition, as well as a response, has been requested: Skill
[Intelligent Being] has been granted>

I clearly hear a young, androgynous, voice, but it's not sweet, it's closer to the hardness of an electronic voice.

"Asthma?"

Asthma... conductor? Expert? I have no idea what that means, Asthma.

I simply ask that question, just wanting to understand the current situation and have it explained to me.

But what came out was this, which needlessly made me more confused.

"I don't really get it, I just want to know what's going on right now. Who are you? And what kind of situation am I in?"

<Request for understanding the situation has been received: Skill [Identify] derived from Skill [Intelligent Being]has been constructed. Skill[Identify] has been granted>

Even though I asked a question, all I got in return was a meaningless answer; it seems information cannot be exchanged in this situation. I feel as if I'm talking to a badly made artificial intelligence, it just purely replies to my requests and I get the feeling that things are moving along quickly.

"I want all the info I can get about this situation, can you provide that?"

For the time being, after getting all the info that I can, I'll think about what to do. If I can break through this, I can go to the company and get back to my daily life.

While thinking that, I had asked in an all-encompassing manner.

<Request to obtain all knowledge and experience has been executed: Skill
[Acquisition] has been granted>

"I want to get out of this white space, is this possible?"

I ask in a way that's exceedingly simple and cannot be misunderstood.

< I am Interface, the one who shall send you to a place far beyond here.>

Here? Beyond?

Just going back to that apartment and being able to go to work is good enough for me.

<Well then, may you have a pleasant journey.>

As soon as the being that named itself as Interface finishes speaking, the white space becomes even brighter, to the extent that it's hard to open my eyes.

"Ooiii, it would have been fine to put me back in the place I came from, Oi!"

It keeps on getting brighter, and at the same time, I think I am even starting to float. Not knowing what's happening and not understanding it is making me shiver in fear. I realize that I had fainted and after that, I find myself lying down in an open space in the middle of a forest.

Chapter 2 – I thought this was Japan, but apparently, it's not

I can hear the sounds of the forest.

A sound which seemed like it would belong to a bird, a cry of a beast, it sounded like I have heard it before but I am not certain.

It reminded me of the time my grandfather took me to the mountains, and because of that my anxiety started to rise.

"Where is this place... Aah, I'm late. I've never been late or absent."

I started to look around in an attempt to escape reality.

"Hmm. The vegetation is Japanese right... Isn't this an <u>oak tree</u>? Even acorns have fallen. This one's a Konara Oak"

Because my grandfather was a hunter who also did some farming, I've been going to the mountains since I was young. Therefore, there is no chance of me misidentifying a tree.

"Where in Japan is this place?"

In general, when trees that can be used for firewood are densely packed in a place, there's a chance that there was a human involvement. If that's the case, somewhere near here, there should be a residence of some sort.

"Just, for now, finding a private house will be my top priority. But first I will check what I have on me"

Since it's unknown how long it would take to find a private house, I will first check what I have on me.

"Three notebooks, five ball pens, two lighters, two towels, one 500ml water bottle, three portable meals, two solar chargers, two rechargeable smartphone batteries, and a set of tools"

Because I often can't get a lunch, having thought of bringing portable meals is a fortune. Also, while I'm at work, I have avoided having my smartphone's battery to run out using my fulfilling charging system.

"The smartphone's antenna... is no good huh. However, the compass works. I wonder in what countryside is this?"

Since this is a countryside forest, there will be a good amount of dangerous organisms, having some tools for self-defense is important.

"If anything should come out, it should be on the level of dogs and snakes. If I am right, there should be a large-size cutter in the toolset. For the time being, I have to make do with that."

I processed a split branch of a tree that is around 120cm thick, I can use it to pin down snakes and also as a cane.

I wrapped a towel around my neck as a protection. Also, to find if there's a road nearby, I looked for a tree that is easy to climb and climbed it.

"I haven't climbed trees in 20 years, I hope the tree is sturdy."

While being self-conscious about my metabolic self, I want to avoid breaking a branch because of my weight. After spending around 20 minutes to climb around a good height, I started to look nearby.

"What is this?"

I became speechless. The forest keeps on going on as far as the eye can see. It is obvious that this is not the kind of terrain you would see in Japan. If there were this much of flatlands, development would have continued.

<... A place far beyond here... >

I remembered the line that was muttered by Interface.

"Oioi, this isn't Japan... Where is this place"

Chapter 3 – I thought an IT peon was going to debut as a forest boy, but an even bigger thing happened

I tried to calm down for the time being.

- 1. My current location is not Japan.
- 2. My food can last me for about 3 days maximum while the water is good for about 4 days.
- 3. In a forest this big, there should be relatively large wild animals that might be living here.
- 4. Weapons, Armors, I have neither of those (with the exception of the large-sized cutter).
- 5. There's no sign of residence nearby.

"Ofu. I'm checkmated"

While I was on all fours, I got pessimistic about the situation.

"Oioi. An IT peon having to do a forest boy debut is impossible. Though if it's my grandfather maybe he'd survive this"

Right now, being pessimistic will get me nothing so I decided to make up a plan.

"For now, secure the water. Also, the food too. If the vegetation is similar to what's in Japan, then edible ones should be nearby"

I raised my awareness little by little, and thought of ways to survive.

"Using a river as a source of my fresh water is rather scary, so I'll look for spring water... For food, I will try to trap small animals and birds, afterwards comes the fish"

I still remember how to make small-sized traps and how to dress the prey from my grandfather's training.

"All that's left is to secure a place to sleep and I'm done. It's now... 10:30 huh. For now, I have to secure some water. In the worst case, I'll boil some river water"

While thinking up to that point, I heard an incredibly quiet sound. Judging by how low the source of the sound was, I believed this would be a small animal. Holding the split cane, I gently opened the bush, which was the source of the sound.

"Isn't this an Aodaisho?"

The snake that was struggling below the split cane is about 150cm long. But it's color was reddish-brown, so it was hard to be sure that it was an Aodaisho.

"Huh? The pupil isn't round. But the shape of the head is right"

While I was confused seeing a familiar-looking snake that turned out to actually not be familiar, the snake opened its mouth wide and bared its fangs, and from there liquid began to spout out.

"Uwo. Are you venomous? Eh? Aodaisho shouldn't be venomous"

Since meaninglessly being bit by the revolting snake is unfavorable, I grabbed my <u>awl</u> from my toolset, then pierced its head. While convulsing with a twitch, the strength of the coiling by the snake slowly faded and it started to hang onto the cane, strengthless. At the moment I believed it to be dead, I heard a certain recognizable electronic voice echo in my head.

<Notice from the Skill[Acquisition]. The condition of the skill[Acquisition]has been fulfilled. The skill[Stealth]0.03 that was held by the target, has been transferred.>

"Eh?"

Due to not foreseeing this situation, my head became completely blank.

"What?[Acquisition]? Transfer of skill?"

Without having myself pulled up, I kept on asking questions.

<Notice from the skill[Intelligent Being]. Nice to meet you Unset. I am
[Intelligent Being]. I spoke to you because you wanted a conversation.>

Again, I heard an electronic voice, but this one, in particular, felt like I could have a conversation with.

"Intelligent Being-san was it? As in the skill granted by Interface-san?"

Since I know nothing about it's identity, I ended up using a respectful manner of speech.

<Your recognition is correct. Please identify the skill[Intelligent Being] as
Intelligent Being. The Skill [Intelligent Being]has been granted to Unset by
Interface.>

I see, an intelligent being, but what is this Unset?

"What is this Unset?"

<The skill[Intelligent Being]is incapable of identifying those who are not set, therefore they are referred to as "Unset" temporarily>

Aah, since it doesn't know my name that's why it called me Unset.

"My name is Maekawa Akihiro, please call me Akihiro"

<Resolving. The Unset shall be given a designation, registering as Akihiro.</p>
From now on I am in your care.>

Communication can be done. This is a big difference from Interface-san. Well, let's go back to asking the first question.

"[Aqcuisition]has informed me that a skill was transferred, what was that?"

<Resolving, Akihiro has been granted 3 skills by Interface. One of which would
be [Acquisition]>

<Akihiro desired to acquire all experience and knowledge, therefore the corresponding skill was granted.>

<The power of that corresponding skill is to devour the experience you yourself have gained through an event and turn it into a skill that will reside in your body>

While I didn't make such a grand wish, an extraordinary ability now lies within me, but what is a skill in the first place?

"What is a skill? And what is that [Stealth]skill that I gained earlier?"

<Resolving, There are two types of skills, the first kind is the ability bound to one's soul, that is the type of the 3 skills granted by Interface>

<The second type is the ability gained from binding to the body through

techniques, these abilities can be strengthened with appropriate training>

<[Stealth]is a skill to hide oneself, it interferes with others' visual recognition.>

It seems that I was granted a greater skill than I thought, I want something to support my head with.

For the time being, I have to survive, and while I'm thankful, I'm getting this feeling that things will become quite the pain after I return to Japan.

"[Intelligent Being]-san, how do I use[Stealth]?"

<Resolving, normally speaking, skills do not show their true effect until they reach 1 and higher, therefore because Akihiro currently has 0.03 only a slight effect will be shown_o >

Oooh, that's going to take a while, for the time being, I might as well ignore it, certainly, that fake common harmless snake didn't feel like it was invisible or anything.

Well now that I finished with the important question, let's mainly do our best to survive... let's do our best...

Chapter 4 – I thought it's time for survival but it's actually time to try out food!!

Well then, It's time for survival.

Since the conversation with [IB]-san has come to an end, I decided to restart my main objective.

"Now that I think about it, is this Aodaisho Modoki edible?"

If I look closely, this Aodaisho Modoki doesn't have a side ridge and it's flesh is pretty tender. Aodaisho can't be eaten because of its stench and scum, but this guy looks more like an eel than a snake.

"[IB]-san, can I eat this?"

When you don't understand something too well it is best to ask someone who seems to know, it is a living being from another world after all.

<Resolving, please use the skill[Identify]>

A rather unfriendly reply, I don't even know how to use[Identify], what is this treatment.

"Etto, I will use [Identify]"

For now, I tried saying that while looking at the Aodaisho Modoki. And then the internal structure, information on the use of each organ, its habitat, *etc.* started to flow into my brain. By the way, because I kept calling it Aodaisho Modoki it ended up being identified as Aodaisho Modoki. The fundamental difference between the two is that it doesn't climb up trees, and lives on the ground. It mainly lives off of nuts and insects. Regarding the venom, it's a weak neurotoxin that it uses to protect itself from external threats, its effect on something the size of a human is nothing more than just momentary numbing. Furthermore, it's venom sack can be found in the neck, so it seems that it can be eaten without worry if I chop it off.

"Does it not stink because it's not carnivorous?"

11-hours have already passed, so I decided to eat it for lunch. If it turns out to

be no good then I'll depend on the calorie-providing blocks that I have. Since I have skipped breakfast, I am too empty for any more survival.

"Guess I should make a temporary camp around that river bank I saw earlier"

Besides its uses in making a simple stove, the fact that river stones are easy to use is a good enough reason to move there, and I spent about 20 minutes walking on the way there while picking up twigs and branches to use as firewood.

"There's quite an amount of water"

From what I saw atop the tree, it looked like a place where you could play in the water, but it turned out completely different due to the depth and the sheer amount of water.

"It looks like there might be a big one, but I don't think that it can be caught with a wooden harpoon"

I gave up on fish, then proceeded to collect river stones to prepare for an oven. I stacked up the stones and left the top open. I dressed the Aodaisho Modoki starting from its stomach, I peeled off the skin with the scales still on it, and then an unexpectedly white flesh was revealed. I washed away the blood and organs and removed the small bones with the cutter. I cut it into the size of grilled eel, then I skewered it on the twigs.

"Even though I stopped smoking, it's a good thing I still left the lighter on me"

Back when I used to smoke I developed a habit of putting a lighter in every storage space, but because of that, I was able to do this.

"I should roughly grill the surface with the flame, while at the same time turning it around to make sure its done evenly"

I kept on grilling it like how I did it back when my grandfather brought some eel, it seems it has some fat on it because this world looks like it is entering autumn, when the fat started dripping into the fire it crackled while releasing a savory smell.

"soro soro kana."

The crunchy fox-like colored cooked meat has oil burned parts on it and that

makes it unbearably delicious looking.

"Just to be safe, I will use[Identify]"

I used[Identify] to see if there is any toxicity, but there is none. I can eat it without worry.

"It's regrettable that there is no sauce or salt, Itadakimasu"

Oil bursts out of the meat as soon as I sink my teeth into the surface, while the tender peculiarly -white meat dances in my mouth.

"This, even though the taste is a bit thin it's delicious, just the sweetness of the fat and the fluffiness of the meat is enough"

The stink that I was worried about was almost non-existent, and I was able to enjoy a deliciousness that was different to that of an eel. As expected of a 150cm snake, even just the edible parts turned into quite the amount.

"Just as expected, I am already full "

Even though I'm said to be metabolic, I don't actually eat that much. Because my efficiency is too good, fat kept piling on my stomach. For a while, I stayed fat even if I didn't eat or drink anything, I even wondered if I was feeding off of mist.

"So for that, Gochisousamadeshita, Oishugozaimashita"

My first meal in another world was a weird snake, but since it was pleasant, let's say it was a good experience.

Chapter 5 – While looking for a watering hole, I found traces of people

Well then, now that I have a full stomach next is the need to secure water.

Since the temperature is not that high the consumption of water is pretty low, but having only a 500ml water bottle filled with barley tea is not reassuring.

"Seeing the place entirely flat, there's also no sign of terraces. For now, let's head upstream"

In the worst case that I don't find a spring, I will have to filter the river water and drink it, but it's hard to make filtration equipment without the right tools.

"I could make do if at least I have some bamboo....."

After walking for 4 hours the vegetation didn't change that much, and the width of the river remained unchanged.

"Assuming I was walking at the speed of 5km per hour I can also assume that I already have walked around 20km, and yet the scenery remains the same"

By the time I began to feel somewhat frustrated, I found dense footprints belonging to animals.

"Is this where the herbivores come to feed and drink?"

Seeing how most of the footprints are made by hooves, I think the possibility is high so I decided to stretch my legs in that direction.

The forest itself is not that thick, the sunlight shines through sometimes and the footing is solid.

After walking for around 30 minutes I found a pond that was bountifully filled with spring water.

Water flows from between the rocks, the water flowing from the pond ends up making tributaries until the previous river.

"As expected, for now securing water is done"

From now on I will change my goal to securing my food.

"Target will be a bird. It would be good if I can find some quail or something similar"

To be honest, even if a large animal like a deer or wild boar gets caught in a trap I have no way of finishing it off.

A long time ago I saw a wild boar that my grandfather caught using a trap when I saw a reasonably big tree that was shaved down to its center, and the ground being dug up for 50cm in the shape of a doughnut, I could only remember feeling fear.

The bones of its feet were showing. Just by approaching it, you would be intimidated I doubt you can charge at that creature in order to hunt it without a weapon.

"If you can't use something like a tree to repel it, then I doubt this cutter could deal with it"

An oak tree somewhat close to the feeding ground and scattered around it were some small fruits that i do not know. I set up a number of small-scale traps near the tree with scattered fruits.

By the way, while I was looking for vines I ended up finding a mountain potato and started digging it up enthusiastically, but it turned out to be around 2m deep and that made me almost cry.

It would be different if I had a shovel, but digging using a wooden stick and a flat piece of wood was torture.

"Hmm? Could this be....."

While I was setting up a number of traps, I found a trap that was clearly live.

"Use [Identify]"

Things made out of twisted metal wires to resemble foot snare traps are placed in a number of areas.

"Without using springs, when you step on it, it tightens just by relying on the elasticity of the tree, this is pretty well made"

This means, that there are people who can make traps around here. What's more it was only set up yesterday.

"Encountering a sentient being which may or may not be friendly huh......For now, I guess I'll hide and observe"

While setting up traps I discovered a pretty good rocky area that I'll make as my campsite for today.

What's left is to check the traps before sundown, if nothing is caught then I guess it'll be a mountain potato festival.

Aah, the mountain potato wasn't poisonous it was just a mountain potato.

Chapter 6 – When I was feeling satisfied after eating something tasty this happens

After phasing out for two hours, I went to check out the traps.

It's about time for the sun to set after that I won't be able to see my hands.

I took a peek at each trap while not expecting much.

"Ooh, something got caught"

A large quail was caught in the trap.

For now, this is more than enough for tonight's dinner so I retrieve the rest of the traps.

By the way, in Japan, capturing them is banned so I'm relieved this is not Japan.

Just to be sure, I asked[Identify]-sensei and he confirmed that it's a quail as well, so I began to prepare it half-heartedly.

Perhaps it doesn't have a skill, as[Acquisition]-sensei did not inform me of anything.

For now, I drained the blood, plucked the feathers, I did this without using a pot.

While leaving the fat on the side, I crush the skin, organs, small bones and body with a rock.

As expected the cutter started getting all sticky because of the grease, and because of it the edge started getting dull.

"Its a shame that I don't have a pot as it looks like I can get some good soup stock from this....."

Because I liked cooking even before I got married, I truly get sad when I can't use good ingredients.

While feeling a bit of sadness, I make an oven and toss in a large flat stone.

I take out the stone that became hot enough, and then I pull out the fat that I kept on the side.

I watch the fat as it changes, and then I spread the crushed meat on top of the stone as if it was a tartar steak.

While an aroma rises that was different from that of chicken, the meat is grilled while going chirichiri.

"Even though they are both birds they are completely different, I heard that pheasant is delicious and it definitely looks like it"

When the fat falls into the fire, an aroma different than that of the Aodaishoumodoki starts coming up.

Right then my stomach starts rumbling.

"Itadakimasu"

While the fat is moderately dripping off of both sides that were a bit burnt, I immediately start biting into it.

"A, this would be impossible for chicken. What is this, already, the smell is different"

After that, I crazily stuffed my checks, the small bones that were crushed enough provided a firm accent to the meat.

"Gochisosamadeshita, That was satisfying"

Because I filled my stomach, I start preparing a place to sleep in.

Since there was a space below the rock that a person can barely get into, I start placing dried leaves to act as bedding there.

Even though I am metabolic, it's not that tight of a fit, so I manage to get in somehow, but it was a bit close at times.

As a precaution, I set an alarm every hour so that the fire won't die, then I went to sleep.

"It was a tough day, thank you for your work, good night"

When I looked at the sky I saw spread out constellations that I've never seen before, and once again I realized that I am in a place far away from Japan.

I wake up at each alarm and add in firewood, it was around four o'clock.

A piercing cry was echoing, I tried to jump out, but because of the rocks, I had to squeeze myself out slowly.

"At times like this, I think I should lose weight"

While keeping my emotions somewhat down, I headed towards the source of the cry.

Since that cry is oddly familiar, I somewhat knew its identity.

"I knew it....."

At the live leg snare trap that I found in the morning, a large wild boar was caught.

Even when compared to the tree the trap was affixed to, the size of the wild boar was overwhelming, It gave off a feeling that it could wreck the tree along with the trap.

"Its impossible to finish it off, or even release it"

For now, As long as this is here other prey will not attack, so I decided to go back to sleep.

With that large body, it will be impossible for it to get to my sleeping spot.

I fell asleep while looking forward to finding out what kind of intelligent being was it that placed that trap.

"Once again, good night"

Chapter 7 – I Thought the Adrenaline was Gushing out, But I Tasted a Glimpse of Something Worse

Second day in another world.

I wondered if I could get up properly, but I woke up at 7 o'clock without the ring of the alarm.

I had to burn firewood to a bonfire, so I was worried about oversleeping, but habit is really horrorsome

No, I heard that the more you get older the earlier you wake up, I'm worried that's the direction I'm going.

Maa, I did not lack sleep, and I fell asleep at around 20 o'clock so it was a natural result.

For the time being, I went to wash my face to wake myself up even more.

By the way, I did not notice it, but there was the hotel's toothbrush at the corner of the luggage, thank God.

"For the breakfast, I'll have yam."

I cut about 20cm of the yam which I dug up hard yesterday, and roll it on the stone which I put on the fire.

The hairs burn out and disappear, the skin loses moisture, and it has been scorched faintly.

Afterward, I surround it with hot stones, heating up the core with residual heat.

"Oohh. It's sweet and refreshing. It's nice, chewy, and comfortable."

When the delicious breakfast was finished, I came back to reality.

Aahh, I wonder what's going on at the company. Was I being treated as a missing person? I wonder if it is possible to return after going back to Japan.

"Maa, it can't be helped that I think about it, even though it might not come true. My priority should be to survive for now."

Trying to raise my falling down mood, I turned my attention to the mayhem that's happening since yesterday night.

"It was on a rampage all night and it's still energetic....."

A rough breath sounds as if it came from the bottoms of the hell.

The leg that has been caught in the trap has been shredded, and the surroundings have become a disaster.

"Maa, it was a trap I set the day before yesterday, so I'll check it today. Until then, I'll be killing some time."

There are yams for food as well, and I have confirmed yesterday that there are growing vegetables that can be eaten around the pond.

Thinking that I will not be okay with just a cutter, I will devote myself to weapon-making today.

"I can't make weapons without materials, let's make a stone weapon which is safer to make."

There is no way for a obsidian to be lying around, so I made stone tools using ordinary stones.

I picked up a large stone of reasonable shape on the riverbed, and tied it to the wooden handle, and made it as a stone ax.

"This looks like it's around 10kg, this may be possible to use this as an alternative for a hammer?"

After that, I looked for a pointed stone, then hit it with a stone to sharpen the edge, I tied it to a tree and made it to a stone spear.

"Indeed, in the past even with this mammoths were hunted so this should be fine. One day, I'mma make manga meat "

While doing it the clock turned to lunchtime, so while I was starting to make the lunch...

I heard a scream from the direction where the wild boar had been caught.

"Is it the appearance of intellectual life creature. Let's see the situation there."

Just in case, I head to the site with the stone ax and the stone spear.

Sure enough, I can see a figure around the wild boar.

"Are? Isn't that a woman, are. "

Ash gold hair and blue eyes. Tunic-like coat and trousers. <u>Bustier</u>-like leather armor with a waist belt.

At the back of the belt, a hatchet-like object is placed in the sheath, and several knives are placed in the pocket of the left chest.

She threw small bow and quiver on the ground and faced the wild boar with one hand ax.

"That's a girl, indeed. Why did she throw the bow... Aahh. With a small bow like that won't penetrate the boar's skin."

At distance, she looks like a 15/16-year old girl.

She actively attacks, aiming at the head and neck, but she seems to be pushed back by its tusks.

"Oioi, even if you wear that leather armor, that fang will still penetrate you."

Maybe because of tension and fear, her face turns pale, and her movements started to turn stiff.

"It's obvious but I can't bear to just watch a girl getting hurt in front of me."

Even if I am metabolic, even if I don't have confidence in my physical strength, but seeing a girl smaller than me who's fighting, just watching her is impossible for me.

"It would be nice if the effect of [Stealth] could be demonstrated even a little....

God, please."

Because of the tension, while I have a hand drenched with sweat, I approached the site while hiding along the grass.

When I was about 5m away from the site, the girl's ax was caught in the tusks and was taken away.

With the expression of despair and confusion on her face, the girl stopped.

The wild boar pulls on his forefoot, position itself to bring down its tusks, it started to lower its face.

"Your attention to your feet is not enough!"

Running the 5m, using my stone ax I bashed with my full strength to the joint part of the wild boar.

With the sensation of the crumbling stone, the crumbling sensation of the wild boar is transmitted to my hand.

The girl kept on watching with a stunned expression on her face.

"For now make a distance! Don't fret even if you fall down!"

Screaming at the girl, I pulled my stone spear forcefully

The wild boar's one forefoot crushes and its head rubs while it's looking for my opening, it's about to thrust its tusks up if there is one.

"Don't underestimate metabolic person's weight!"

From the looking up-like position of the wild boar, I aimed for the right eye, I pierced my spear with an uppercut-like motion from the underside of the wild boar.

Piercing the soft eyeball, I felt the penetration stopped at the hard skull.

I withdrew the spear and took a step back.

Next, I rotate my spear in a bullet-like motion to gouge its remaining left eye. I feel the tip crumbling and the handle was blocked by the skull.

The wild boar roared its final strength and turned weak.

"I did it....."

I, an overweight guy, took down the Boar with a stone spear, though the endorphin and adrenalin delayed the fear that would come soon after.

< Skill [Acquisition] Notice. The conditions for the skill [Acquisition] has been met. Target skill [Valor]increased by 0.20. The corresponding skill was transferred. > [Acquisition]-san reported using a calm voice.

That thing aside, I want to get drunk with the feeling of accomplishment. Which was the thought, but I remembered the girl at the back and because of that, I calmed down.

"Etto.....are you okay?"

I threw the weapons that I've been holding, I raised my hands in front of the girl.



On my side, there are only broken weapons, while the opposite side still has weapons that can subdue me.

And then, from the dazed faced, her face turned to a red face.

"Do you understand my words?"

It was unwise to think that Nihongo could be understood.

This situation can be seen as a barbarian who speaks nonsense words has started attacking with his old generation weapons.

"Yes. I understand."

"Ah? You speak Nihongo?"

"NIHONGO? What is NIHONGO?"

"Eh?"

"Eh?"

<From[IB]-san. To be able to communicate, your ability to recognize and pronounce the words has been modified to complement the opponent.>

[IB]-sensei is so cool. Very cool.

"That aside, I'm glad you're okay. I was worried what was going about to happen there"

"Hai. Thank you very much. You've helped me greatly, danna-sama"

Nnn? I heard words that I can't unhear.

"Danna-sama?"

"Yes. The warrior who throws all arms and raises his hands unprotected. It is an act that is transmitted to my village if it is done between men, it means of salute, and it is a meaning of wooing if done between men and women, a marriage proposal. I, there is also the favor of you saving my life. I will accept it."

"Eh?"

Wait a minute. I, a 20 years older overweight guy, just saved a girl and proposed. Seriously, that can't be true.

"By all means, please come to the village. We welcome you."

Retreat, is it impossible?

Are, isn't strange?

Chapter 8 – Before I Can Settle my Feelings With my Young Wife, I Received a Bigger Bomb

In my lifetime of 35 years, I was able to make a second wife.

And it is not a case of trying to escape reality.

"Etto, for now, let's handle this one, do you know how to handle this?"

This wild boar is 1.5 bigger than the one I saw in the past, it seems to be hard to bloodlet

"Hai. If possible just before...."

"Just Before?"

"May I ask Danna-sama's name?"

"Oou..... I am sorry. I forgot to introduce myself."

Even though I am not used to communicating with other people, to think that I even forgot to introduce myself.

It may be because of the adrenaline that's been rushing through with the excitement while I was hunting the big game.

"My name is Maekawa Akihiro desu."

After then she answered with a slightly stiff face.

"MAEKAWA, AKIHIRO-sama desu ne. Having a surname, does that mean you're a noble?"

Are? Oh, I see, in the past, you only need surname if you're a noble. Other than that you're just an everyday Joe, is what I remember.

"My surname is Maekawa and Akihiro is the first name. The reason I have a surname is only due to the place where I have been living. Please don't mind it and call me Akihiro"

With a relief on her face, she answered.

"Akihiro-sama..... Akihiro-sama desu ne. Because you are wearing good

clothing I thought you are a noble."

This is an order made suit. If the waistline goes over 90 I won't be able to buy any general suits . It's a sad story.

"Etto, how about your name?"

While holding some of her hair, she answered.

"I am Lizatiaof the Tolka Village, I live through hunting. Though I am still an apprentice."

A pair of slightly greenish blue eyes and the hair which is almost dyed completely with ash gold.

Her face type is like an inverted egg.

The shape of her eyes are <u>droopy</u>, but are big, overall it will leave a cute impression.

"I see, a hunter apprentice. But isn't this one a hurdle for an apprentice?"

I pointed to the huge body in front of me.

"Originally it was my father's trap. Since yesterday his back has been hurting so in his place I'm the one who's been patrolling around. I haven't expected for this big game to be trapped."

She explained the circumstances while looking down.

Seems like in this world you become an adult as soon as you become 15 years old.

Before this, she became 15 years old and was allowed to move independently.

Until now, she has been hunting only small birds and small mammals.

For the level of wild boars, I learned that she only has experience of hunting it with her father.

"That's why, when I was about to hunt by myself, I became unable to move due to being nervous. I am very thankful for your help."

She expressed her gratitude with her best smile:

"I see. I thought I was interfering, so I would be relieved if you will say so."

After saying so, she, while waving her hands with a troubled face,

"There is no such a thing. To be honest, at that time I was preparing for my death. I don't know how to express my gratitude that's fulfilling for me."

Seriously Cute. Her height is about 170cm which is taller than me, but from her whole body, the aura of cuteness is continuously being emitted.

"Well then, before the blood starts to clot, let's do the bloodletting. For now, let's remove all the deployed traps and hang the wild boar."

If another big one gets caught I won't be able to handle it.

"Hai. I understand, let me get you a rope."

She seems to have thrown a miscellaneous tools bag nearby.

She brought a rope that's about 10m, I bound the hind legs of the wild boar and hung it on the tree.

Since the average weight of wild boar in Japan is about 70-80kg, you can say that this wild boar is a 110kg super big game.

To be honest, pulling it up alone seems to be impossible.

I was able to press a 100kg in the bench press, but a corpse that's this heavy is impossible.

That being said, she hung it without expression on her face, then cut the throat.

I was worried about carnivorous animals that might come by due to the smell of the blood, but about that matter, it seems the huntsmen are regularly thinning them so there's no reason to be worried.

That being said, I am a little bit curious about this muscular strength. Even if you say this is a parallel world, where can these thin arms get those strength?

While feeling dejected, I tried to ask[Identify]-sensei.

While she is looking away to confirm the other traps' locations,

"I will use[Identify]"

I murmured quietly to avoid being noticed.

Name: Lizatia

Skills:

[Strength]: 1.22

[Small-Sized Mammal Hunting]: 1.34

[Medium-Sized Mammal Hunting]: 1.26

[Bird Hunting]: 2.23

[Archery(Toruka-Village-Style Small Bow Technique)]2.46

"[IB]-sensei、What do you mean by[Strength]?"

<Resolving. The skill[Strength]covers your whole body with Magical Power
and supports the muscles with its tasks.>

<Generally, when the skill hits 1.00 value. It will make the body to have 2x the strength of what's normal.>

<In regards to applicable skills, it will only activate accordingly to the user's timing, so there's no hindrance to the user's everyday life.>

I understood the meaning, but there's a bigger bomb that's been hiding.

"[IB]-sensei, what is Magical Power?"

<Resolving. Because the question is ambiguous the answer will be general and not specific. Magical Power is a power that's in a ready to be used state by any demons or objects that you can see in this world. Magical Power is also the one that processes and operates this world.>

Eh? Is this world a sword and magic world?

Chapter 9 – Leva..... Nira.....?

This was a situation where it was impossible to hide being surprised by learning that this world is one of swords and magic. But for now, I will proceed with the preparation of the wild boar.

For the Bloodletting, we should let it be while it drains. When I touched it, I could still feel the body temperature.

"Yoshi. Since there's a pond nearby, let's use it to cool it down. "

I asked Lizatia who just came back to help me transport the wild boar.

"Hai. I will transport it then."

She carried up the wild boar by holding its forelegs, then she submerged it in the pond.

"Ano, it looked like you know how to hunt. Is this your livelihood?"

She sat on the edge of the pond and started a conversation with me. Even though she is taller than me she still looked up to look at me. Her hip is so high.

"Since my grandfather was a hunter I understand to a certain extent. Though it was my first time hunting with a stone spear."

"I see. So your grandfather was a hunter desu ne."

It is around lunchtime, but it seems I still don't feel the hunger due to still being excited.

We kept on chatting while waiting for the wild boar to cool down.

The only women I had the opportunity to talk to after the divorce were office ladies, so this was very pleasant.

On the contrary, there is no guarantee of living, and in a situation where you don't know when you'll go . Because of this, the feeling that it's fine to live with her is fading away.

Maa, even if you say it's a marriage, there's this misunderstanding. For now, I will go with her to the village and tell them the circumstances properly.

After about 2 hours, the temperature of wild boar finally went down.

"Sate, should we butcher it down soon?"

For wild boar level of butchering, I don't have that much of a confidence because the last time I did it was when I was junior high school.

"Ah. Please don't worry about that matter. Since I will do that myself."

Lizatia sent me a rescue boat.

She laid the wild boar on its back on top of a hood like cloth and spread its legs. Oh, it's a male.

She stuffed the anus with a cloth. She sliced through the skin carefully while evading the fatty layer.

With a butcher knife, she chopped the head off and through the throat, she bound intestines near the anus with a rope.

While avoiding the gonads and the bladders, she cut from the middle of the stomach through the throat in one swipe. As soon as the diaphragm is cut, the internal organs started to burst out.

For the bladder that remained, she cut it with utmost concentration.

"Can I have the Liver? I would like to make lunch with it."

"No problem. I may trouble you a little, so for that thank you very much."

"Also, do you have any frying pan? And I would like you to lend me a knife, too."

"I do not have a frying pan, but there is a thick pot in the miscellaneous goods bag so please use that instead. Although a little, there's also salt inside it."

She pulled out a knife from her chest area and handed it over to me.

While looking around yesterday, I confirmed that there are nira and red peppers clustered around.

From the miscellaneous goods bag, I took out a one-handed hot pot and salt, then I went to the campfire from yesterday.

There is some firewood picked up yesterday left, so I ignite the fire with it. I

collected some nira near the river and some red peppers around the forest edge.

I cut the nira and liver into pieces, and I crushed the red peppers with stones after removing the seeds.

I dropped in some fat from the wild boar and waited for it to start melting.

A delicious and fragrant smell of lard started to come up, so I threw in the red peppers and heat it up quickly.

A noticeable scent comes up so I threw in the liver. I put the nira to the liver that has started to brown.

When the heat goes into the nira and the oil, and when it began to color up I threw the salt in, then removed the pot from the fire.

"The lunch is ready."

After heading to the pond, I saw Lizatia who's cleaning the intestines thoroughly.

"I also finally finished. So let's have a lunch together."

After going to the disassembly site, what I saw was the carcass chopped to pieces.

The parts of meats that can be eaten are wrapped in cloth and are submerged in the pond to wash and cool, as for the inedible parts, they are buried in the ground.

As we are going to the pot, she's holding a wooden spoon and I'm holding half-heartedly made chopsticks.

"So you can make a dish like this with that plant. I thought those are just medicinal plants."

"This is a cuisine from my region. There are only a few seasonings, so maybe it came out a little imperfect?"

While smiling, she began eating.

"Um..... mmmmm. delicious. You only used salt to make this dish, right?"

She asked with a surprise and a tint of stuttering.

"Fresh liver is so tasty after all."

For modern people who are accustomed to excess salt, the saltiness is indeed important.

After the meal ended, we also finished cleaning up the wild boar, after that, what's left is to go to the village.

"Well then, let's depart. There will be around 5km to walk before reaching the village."

Hearing that if I walk for about 1 hour I might find a residential area, I'm regretting that I did not do so.

I pray to God that i would like to find an inn, as much as possible.

Chapter 10 – There are rejuvenation and Gods...... There are......

Suddenly, I wondered.

"[IB]-sensei. The reason that a certain degree of conversation is established is that of sensei, but what about units and proper nouns?"

<Resolving. As for the units, since the decimal system is also common here, we are conducting a direct conversion.>

<Regarding distance, length, and weight, because the system is different, some translations are done.>

<For example, in the case of a 10M rope, it is strictly expressed as a rope of 8.98 Ohms. Then we do a round up to 9.00 Ohms.>

<In addition, regarding the proper nouns, we are expressing them through relatively close words, but since nowadays'[Nihonggo]is hard to express, we are using some of them as is.>

Direct and useful answers came back, as expected. *Maa*, I don't think there's a need to construct proper sentences as long as I express the meaning that I intended.

<Informing. Although you will get the gist by using[Identify], Your Skill [Fua
Continent Common Language] is gradually growing because many
conversations were performed.>

It is convenient to not only having a capability of simultaneous translation but also the native language skills. Aah~. this continent is called Fua..

"Akihiro-sama?"

It seems she noticed my mumblings, that's why Lizatia called out to me.

"*Eetto.* I am not really that kind of a great man actually, so can you please not affix "sama" to me? Just call me as is. It's kind of ticklish"

I don't have any inclination to feel happy when getting called "sama" by a girl. Absolutely not.

Lizatia answers while looking down with a bright red face.

"Ano, it is a rule in our village that you can only call a male by only his name if you're his wife. If possible for now, can I call you Akihiro-san? Oh, not because I don't like to call you just by your name..."

It seems I stepped on a landmine again without noticing. Established facts are getting being build just like this?

"I'd like to hear your frank opinion. To be honest I am a 35-year-old *dayo?*Moreover, I am this overweight. Are you actually fine with making someone like me your husband?"

Negative thoughts rise up to my throat. Even though she is considered an adult, she is just a 15-year-old girl. There are still many options for her future.

Saying that she answered with a sulky and kind of angry face.

"For the matter for your age, I thought that you were in the middle of 20s. Also, our age differences don't mean anything to me. What I like is you being there. Regarding your figure, that body shape is a symbol of health so I like it. I won't start to hate you because of your appearance."

It seems your sense of beauty changes according to the place. If I remember correctly, the image of the man in the Heian period was similar, probably. Do oriental people really look that young?

"Regarding the lifespan, there are ways to rejuvenate. So if possible, let's try our best so we will live together for a long time."

Hmm? I have a feeling that I just heard an outrageous fact.

"[IB]-sensei. Are there really ways of rejuvenation?"

So to avoid getting noticed by her, I spoke in a very low voice.

<Resolving. Hai. There are. Drugs, or equipment, and also God's miracles.>

<Furthermore. There are also applicable magic ceremonies with such functions. These things are relatively easy to acquire.>

Aaah~ Another bomb hiding in the answer. So there is God. Since this is a different world after all. But for now, I will not think about them. I will not think,

I really will not think.

Putting those things aside, I decided to go to the village.

After that, I tried to prepare our luggage, even after the processing of 110kg wild boar, we only reduced the weight only down to 80kg.

Although shameful, Lizatia is carrying the 3/4 of the luggage while I am only carrying the 20kg of overall.

Let's think carefully, it is hard to walk for an hour while carrying two rice bags.

So we take breaks every now and then while going to the village.

We reach the entrance of the village after 2 hours. The sky has started to turn orange.

"Yokoso, this is Toluca Village. We welcome you."

Said so by Lizatia while wearing a bright cute smile.

Chapter 11 – I Met my Father (in law), I Thought He's Going to Object but it was Something Different

There is no entrance towards the village, instead, we went along the road that's situated in between of farmlands.

Some farmlands are left as is and there are weeds growing on it.

"Right now, we're supposed to be in the season of autumn so it should be the right time to sow wheat. Are those wheat or rye?"

"Hai. I heard that there will be 60% wheat and 40% rye to avoid failures."

"Is the rough farmland that's contained within the fences a fallow land?"

"Hai. It is currently used to contain goats"

"Are you not planning to keep pigs as well?"

"Pig-desu ka? Because the price per unit is high, it is impossible to maintain raising them in this village. Also, it is difficult to breed them because they mate in winter. In addition, wild boars are breeding in the southern forest where we went before so they are not important. In the case of goats, we are going for their milk and for their meat."

That means it's a three-field system of agriculture. I thought that we're in the medieval age, and now the possibility of it being true is increasing even more.

Also, the tunic that Lizatia is wearing seems to come from ancient Rome times, and by looking at its materials, it seems to be made from cotton.

"Do you cultivate cotton and such?"

"The neighboring villages are larger in scale, so they're growing there."

They are cultivating them indeed. In Europe, if I'm not mistaken, the trend to cultivate cotton was around late Middle Ages.

Hmm, I don't understand the degree of civilization here.

That thing aside, if there's a way to obtain cottonseed oil I want to obtain as much as I can.

After crossing the roads in between the farmlands, I can see roughly 40 houses. It looks like a village composed of around 150-200 people. The village is quite large.

"Everything around the house is agricultural land. For tonight, please stay at my home."

I see it's going to be like that. There seems to be an inn-like building but since I don't have money there's no helping it.

Inns and blacksmiths, churches, sundries and similar buildings are centered in the village.

The big house that I can see which is also outstanding and splendid should belong to the village chief.

"I am sorry about this. I really don't have any money that I can use here so I will be in your care."

"*lie*, please don't worry about it. You're my benefactor, you've also contributed for today's dinner. My father should be pleased as well."

She muttered with a smile.

Going further from the center of the village, around the edge of the village there is a house. Next to it, there's a barn-like building.

"Tadaima. Are you here father?"

It's obvious that I can't go inside the house without an introduction, so I stood at the door and waited.

"Okaeri Liz, how were the traps?"

An elderly man with a blond hair that starts to gray comes towards the door.

His eyes are like the eyes of foxes, and his muscles are tight. For his height, he should have passed 180cm.

I heard that he hurt his back, he does indeed limp a little but he looks nearly normal.

"Un. It was hard. So...... There's someone that I'd like you to meet."

With a red face, Lizatia continued to talk while standing.

"Etto, He's my life saver..... Also, the one who promised marriage with me, Akihiro-san desu"

Her father's and my line of sight crossed each other while being speechless

There should be an even better way for introduction, why is everything even a straight ball so far?

"Ahh~..... Hai..... Nice to meet you. "

To be honest, I don't know what to say any more at this point, so, for now, I'll just greet him.

"I see..... Nice to meet you. My name is Asuto. I want to hear more about it. Come inside."

Her father invites me in with a slightly awkward looking face.

After passing the corridor, I see a living room, a counter, and a dirt floor in between. There are also some windows that can be seen.

On the opposite side of the corridor should be where the rooms are in.

That thing aside, after reaching the living room at the side of the table I saw a woman that looks like Lizatia but calmer and older preparing green tea.

"Nice to meet you, My name is Tisha Sorry that there's nothing prepared, at least have some tea."

The tea was made with herbs. Though I don't know what herbs are used.

To be honest, due to the surprising remarks I can't feel the taste of the tea.

"Sate, currently I don't know the circumstances. For now, could you explain the circumstances, Liz?"

Lizatia started to explain starting from the traps, then to the fight against the wild boar, and finally about my self-destruct.

"First of all, thank you for saving our daughter's life."

Asuto started talking.

"After deploying the traps, hurting myself while going home is my fault. Though even if you say that you saved her life, isn't marriage too fast?"

He asked Lizatia.

Then he turned his face to me and says additional words.

"Iya, I don't mean that I don't like you. By looking at your appearance, you should be something like a noble."

He continued then after heaving a deep sigh.

"You should know it that hunting is a repulsing job."

"Repulsing job?"

I heard a word that I've never heard before

"Fumu. Looks like you're not from the Waranika Kingdom, are you? The kingdom has stipulated us five <u>straw sacks</u> of grains as a tax. This will be the quota. But the hunter, since it's a different kind of job, will not be able to produce that five straw sacks of grains. So we sell or trade meat and skin to get grain and pay those for the tax."

He continues as his complexion goes dark.

"As long as there's hunting limit, the chance of us successfully getting everything for the tax is quite difficult. Even if we count the things that we get by tanning the skin, etc., time wise it's still difficult to make it. Thus, to carry some of our burdens for the village, we took on a necessary evil job of gathering meat for food. Furthermore, there are many people who feel wary because we are dealing with animal lives. Most importantly, hunters die often so we have a bad reputation of being out of the God's blessing because of the high mortality rate."

Taking everything I heard into consideration, rather than the hunters being problem, it looks that the tax system is the stupid one.

It has too little flexibility, and because of this, certain occupations are getting overpressured.

"Is it difficult to change over to another occupation?"

"We are hunters since my ancestors. I am pretty sure I told you this is a necessary evil. If people stop eating meat, they die."

Then suddenly, he raised his head and covers his eyes with his palm.

"The current tax system is the same since the past days. The tax rate was proportional to the average income back then. The tax rate also increased at that time."

The perpetual tax rate of 50% is probably too hard. If I'm not mistaken, in the medieval age, the yield of harvesting wheat should have been about 4 to 5 times.

If you take half of the 4 times yield, after excluding next year's harvest, they will only be left with enough for themselves. With this, it's almost impossible to have insurance for emergencies.

"Fuumu...... Hai. I finally understand what you mean about the repulsive work."

I think it's futile to think about things that I don't know, so I started to explain my circumstances.

To be honest, I don't think there will be any understandings if I explain that I was the SE leader in an IT company.

Maybe being a manager of a business. And then, one day I got covered in a bright light? Then, suddenly I am here.

Then about how I met Lizatia while waiting around the traps i found. Since it became dangerous I intervened.

"So in other words, I can't do anything at the moment. Putting the talk about the marriage aside, for now, if it is possible, would you allow me to stay for the night?"

Since I can not make any excuses at this moment, I tried going for a direct question.

"So you were a merchant. These clothes look like.... Wool? A good one on top of that. The weaving too, I have never seen a weave this clean before."

"Soune. I have never seen this technique of weaving before. I also have never seen this kind of cloth too."

Tisha talked while heaving a sigh.

"Mom, she is a weaver-desu."

Aaah I see, so she's a professional one.

"You're probably a merchant from a great store, aren't you? Although it's a small house, please stay as much as you want."

Our dinner was a rye porridge with a vegetable and wild boar meat soup. I was surprised that there was a pepper used.

There's another person in the family, but since he's currently out for a hunting request from another village it turned out I am going to borrow his room.

I borrowed some hot water and wiped my body using a towel soaked with it.

I started to think about the future while lying down on the comfortable bed.

"For the start, I should guarantee my living expenses. Although I don't know what a 35 years-old-guy can do. Sigh, I really miss Hello Work "

I closed my eyes while lamenting.

"Well for now, good night."

Chapter 12 – German Sausage is the Best in the World!!! Though it isn't from Germany

While the roosters cry their best, I woke up at the same time as the sun rises. When I looked at the clock to confirm the time, it's around 5:30 AM.

I feel that I'm becoming healthier as each day passes.

Aah, Sou Sou . I experienced my very first private toilet after coming into this different world. Though it was a squatting festival.

To be honest, as a guy with an overweight body type, Japanese style toilets that makes you squat to use it are really hard for me. Because my big stomach will make it harder for me to squat and makes me loose my balance.

It should be obvious that there isn't a potty, there's only a rock polished with a circular hole in the middle and that's where you drop your business, the business will then get carried by the river nearby.

For the sitting part, there's a wooden board placed which is shaped like U.

There's no toilet paper but, there's a water for cleaning and a piece of cloth for wiping. Washing these clothes is done by its user.

As for the water, there's a need for you to get it from the water well.

After using the toilet, there's a need to drop some straw to the hole. It is to prevent fermentation and to prevent the smell from coming out.

I really want to thank those who developed this.

Also, regarding the washing of the clothes, we use washnut.

It's easy to determine the pepper, but I can't determine the vegetables.

According to Tisha-san, everything that was used for yesterday's meal was gathered from the south forest.

In addition, it seems that all the vegetation is protected by the God that oversees plants.

It seems that God can affect the reality itself. Parallel world so scary~

Also, I thought it would feel like a gardening game.

That is what I heard while eating breakfast.

Our breakfast was a rye bread, and I felt like I was eating Roggenbroat.

Because the bread was somewhat sour, I spread lard on it then ate it.

There was also <u>WeissWurst</u> and salted cabbage.

The smoked sausage seems to be bought from somewhere. Also, the salted cabbage is not a <u>Sauerkraut</u> because there are no other spices on it.

If we search for, there seems to be <u>caraway</u> and dill that you can find in the southern forest. Let's look for it next time.

Although I didn't see one growing, I should be able to find out more information about them using my smartphone's encyclopedia.

What can I say, the breakfast's menu was like from Germany.

Also, while asking people how to find a job, *arimashita*. Adventurer Guild. What can you say? It's really a parallel world.

Though the Adventure Guild is not solely for monster hunting, just like Hello Work, it's everything goes kind of business.

That really makes it sound like we're in the medieval age, every occupation has its own guild, it seems to fill any gaps that exist .

For example, in case of medicine, there are pharmacists guilds. They also manage the pharmaceuticals and its sales.

However, regarding the collection of the materials, the outsourcing and such of the materials are done mainly by adventure guilds.

In case of escorting a large group of merchants and important persons, people from mercenary guilds are called. In case of escorting small merchants and individuals, however, people are hired from the adventurer guilds.

Also, there seem to be monsters hunted for materials, and there are various things made by monster parts, so there are monster hunting jobs as well.

"Sate, since there's time before the guilds open up, I guess I will make some TODO lists."

I don't know if it's because of habit that's taken from working, I can't seem to feel secure if there's no TODO list.

"First of all is to get away from being a freeloader, I need to secure money that's enough for inns."

[] Confirm Monetary Values

[] Confirm Inn Prices

[] Confirm the Difficulty of Job Requests and Renumeneration Amount

"In order to use'Acquisition'to its fullest, I want to actively take on subjugation requests. If I won't grow stronger, I won't be able to protect Lizatia."

[] Prioritize Subjugation Requests

[] Enhance'Acquisition''s efficiency of acquiring skills.

"Since I have'Identify'-sensei, I should have an advantage in terms of harvesting requests. Let's take many harvest requests as well."

[] Confirm Harvest Requests' Information

[] Confirm Harvest Requests' target's information

[] Measure the Efficiency of Identify Skill

For now, I will make these 8 points as my objectives for today.

While saving my TODO list in my TODO APP in my smartphone, I sense someone in front of the entrance.

Looks like Asuto-san is going to hunt, let's see him off.

"Asuto-san, are you about to go out?"

"Aah. I'm going to deploy some traps and hunt some small games. Since Lizatia's with me, there's no need to worry."

"Will your back be okay?"

"My back was at the stage where it almost healed yesterday. So even if I move today there's no problem."

Asuto started to leave while smiling, after picking up the luggage, he waved

his hands to me.

"Akihiro-san, Ittekimasu. Please don't do anything unreasonable."

Lizatia looks at me with a worried face.

"Well I will just look around so there's no need to worry."

Me too, while smiling, I see them off while waving my hands.

While seeing the two leaving, I checked the clock to see it's around 7:30 AM.

Since it's about to be the time for the opening of guilds, I start to prepare my things.

Regarding my clothes, I am being lent Lizatia's brother's clothing after a few adjustments.

It's dejecting to see the only parts that have been adjusted were the part around the stomach and the pants hem.

About my suits, it's like a miracle that there's no blood splashed on it while we were fighting the wild boar.

Thought in case of my white shirt, there was a blood on the cuffs so I had to wash them hard.

Sate, let's work hard today too!

Chapter 13 – I arrived at the Adventurers' Guild but it was Different than I Thought

The crowd was already gathering when I was about to leave the village.

Farmers seem to start working as soon as the sun starts to rise, I can see in each plot of land some people swinging their hoes already.

There seems to be some development in regards to steel-making, because I can see some of them using steel hoes.

"Place looks empty because there are no horses or cows. I am pretty sure keeping a cattle is one of the basic elements of the three-field agricultural system. Maybe because they can't make the cattle pass the winter."

In some places, there are stalls, which are emitting a very appetizing smell.

I'm sure if there are residences you don't have to open up stalls, maybe there are a lot of tourists here?

"Why is it that there seem to be more facilities rather than residences or farmlands. Maybe there's some kind of hub nearby?"

<Resolving. Our current designate, Toruca Village's main industry is agriculture. Incidentally, the gathering requests are done in the southern forest, and the subjugations happen in the northern forest, so the village happens to be the waypoint on the shortest road between them. >

<Addtionally, there's Ruth Village to the west, and there's Mebuburk Village to the east, and this village operates as the place where you can stop and trade goods. So this village is richer than other villages nearby.>

'IB'-sensei answered my question.

Ruth village and Mebuburk Village. Maybe Lizatia's brother works in either of these villages?

That thing aside, I head to the village as this is one of my TODOs in my TODO list.

Tisha-san told me that there should be a signboard with a bed so I tried

looking for it. I found 3 places that have beds on the signboard.

The first one seems to be a big hurdle for me so I disregard that, so I went to the 2 story inn which is the closest one other than the first one.

The name of the inn is 'Azoratei'.

Are? I seem to be able to read characters just fine.

<Informing. The same as Akihiro's ability to comprehend information and the ability to pronounce properly, your ability to read has been enhanced as well.>

<As well as writing, I have enhanced your ability to write the correct notations.>

As expected of 'IB'-sensei. You can't expect nothing.

Since conversation and describing is the bottleneck of the parallel world, having it solved is truly appreciating.

At this age, learning a new language is impossible.

TOEIC 's examination was planned from this year according to the company' s policy, because of this I had thought of changing my job.

"Irraishaimase. Are you here to stay? Or maybe are you here for breakfast?"

A man in his 60s that has a great balding at the bangs area called out to me.

His appearance is fine and his impression is good.

There is a dining area established in the lobby section, the cleaning is pretty well done too.

"I am trying to schedule my first stay since entering Waranika Kingdom. Can you please tell me the information about the money and the accommodation fee?"

This man is the shop owner, and he seems to be operating the inn with his wife.

Regarding money, it's not the weighed money and instead, it's count money.

Since there are different kind of money in each kingdom, there's a way to exchange money to a different kind.

In regards to exchanging money, the exchange rate depends on the current trust between the kingdoms. The current Waranika Kingdom's rate is set slightly low is what I learned. I can see the current Waranika Kingdom's strength with just this.

Also, the unit of currency in Waranika Kingdom is called War, and generally they are made up of iron.

I learned that there are different types of coins: 1, 5, 10, 50, 100, 500, 1000, 5000, 10000, 50000. The bigger the value, the bigger the coin is with a 2mm increment. I learned this by seeing the coins personally.

On the reverse side, I saw the faces of governing gods and the well known successive kings. To be honest, even if I'm told about their names I can't identify them.

There are coins for 100000, 500000, 1000000 units of War but since they are made up of gold, they are only used for large commercial transactions and rarely used in general shops.

The iron coins seem to be easy to counterfeit, but those who counterfeit seems to receive a punishment from the governing gods as soon as they find out of it.

It seems that the punishment is gruesome and affects the whole family, so people have decided that it's not worth to counterfeit money.

Maa, if I have my face on one of the coins and it gets counterfeited, it will make me feel dejected, so I understand the gods. Though it felt like kind of childish, well, God of Greek mythology did the same so whatever.

"For one night with morning and evening meals will be for 5000 War. If no meals accompanied it will be 4000 War. The kitchen is also free to use except in busy times."

Considering the price in Japanese Yen, it's a low price business hotel.

The single rooms seem to be large as well.

"You can buy a bucket of hot water for 500 War. You can also buy candles that last for an hour for 1000 War each. If you need some please feel free to ask

at the front desk."

"Thank you very much. Though I may end up scheduling a stay here, I want to look at the other places first, So we may meet at a later time. Thank you very much again."

Aah, I also heard about the toilets, it seems there's a shared toilet placed in each floor with water system installed.

The toilet is important, very important.

Well, for now, one TODO objective check.

[x] Confirm Monetary System

I left the inn and proceeded to another inn which is located far from the middle square.

I can read 'Earth and the Earth Temple' on the signboard.

Peeking through the door, there's a front desk, and additionally a dining hall and a bar. There are also people who are wearing armor drunk and lying down like a corpse.

After looking at the establishment, I notice the cleaning is not done properly. The owner also looks like a cunning middle-aged man.

It depends on the income, but I feel like the safety that's been bought by money is great. So I left the place without saying anything.

Well, one more TODO objective check.

[x] Confirmation of Inns' Accommodation fee

Umu, it feels great every time I fill a check to the list because I feel that there's an advancement in my plans.

Sate, since the morning crowd seems to have started calming down, let's proceed to the guild.

I went towards the relatively large building in the center of the village. It's one of the guilds you see with a white sword and shield on a black background as a signboard.'Adventurers' Guild Toruca Village Branch'. Yup, it's here.

Opening the door and going in, the impression is that of the building like a

government office mixed with an old security office.

A template situation where at the bar inside the guild was a bad guy looking for a fight. It's a frustrating experience but well, let's ignore it.

I saw a window that had "register" written on it so I walked there. The receptionist gives the impression of a 20-years-old naive village girl.

"Nice to meet you, welcome to the Adventurers' Guild. Are you here for registration?"

"Hai. Could you please explain the process of registration and the terms of service?"

"Dewa, I will explain everything first and then we'll proceed to the registration okay?"

As for the information about the jobs, everything was almost the same as how Tisha-san explained.

"Regarding the tax, after you register, you will be considered a member of the guild. Your tax payment will be taken from your revenue based on the Kingdom's tax rate. As for the tax summary, the whole country will take care of that so please do not worry about it."

Aah, so it's a deduction system. Since it's a pain to pay tax one by one so I am saved by this system.

Honestly, It seems that Edoguchi's temperament seems to be more certain if you look at the abusive situation of the inn.

"In addition, ranks are given to adventurers according to business contribution, it will be from rank 10, which is the lowest, to the rank 1, which is the highest. There are 10 steps before you rank up."

Ooh. Adventurer Ranks. The template "I am strong" huh.

"Regarding the ranking system, it is based on the reliability of the person.

Though there were sometimes people who misunderstood ranks for how strong you are, please understand it as credits which have been accumulated through many successes. Also, the number of jobs you can take depends on your rank. Though to avoid failures, we will review you to see if you really can handle the

job"

Well for example, in one request asks you to escort someone, it's no use to hire someone who hasn't done any escort mission before.

There are guilds for difference specialists, and the Adventurers' Guilds are oriented towards general jobs.

"I mentioned about reliability, please understand that I mean this literally. In case of accidental failure of jobs, there will be a little penalty to be paid. Though for an intentional failure, there will be a big penalty as a punishment."

"By the way, what penalty would be given, for example?"

"In the case that occurred in the past, there was an adventurer in a party who stole the cargo of the delivery mission. As for the person concerned, he was caught and restrained using all the power of the guild, and that person had pay for the expenses, the value of the deliverables, and pay for the delay of the delivery."

"What's going on with that person now?"

"Since this is a story of a long time ago, he's already deceased. But, I heard that he spent his entire life paying his debts."

It's really a heavy story. As long as I listen to it, there's a scent on it just like a black company.

Maa, I don't have any foundation for living, and there are no other options if I want to live.

"Regardless of the request, you only can receive one at the same time, but if an event not covered by the request conflicts with another request, we can deal with that later."

For example, in case of accepting a collection request and subjugating in selfdefense, that subject will be covered as long as the object to be subjugated fill the requirements of another request.

"For more details, we have kept documents that were organized and can be found in the second-floor library. If you're interested please feel free to go there."

It seems that it's a 3-floor-building, and there is a library on the second floor. Also, there seems to be a conference room, so it's possible to make a confidential talk, on the off-chance that a delicate client might come.

"Do you still have an intention to register?"

"Hai, I will proceed with the registration."

In order to collect living expenses as soon as possible, I can't bother to think twice.

"Dewa, please fill in the necessary information here."

I've been given a paper that's about A6 in size. My name is Akihiro, age is 35, my current address, maybe I can use Asuto's house.

"Dewa, please stab your index finger with this needle. Just enough for the blood to come out."

I thought I will leave a bloody fingerprint, but I just have to drop a bit of blood on a white card that the receptionist-san took out.

Doing that, the card started to glow dimly, and the blood disappeared without any trace.

What is this?

"Here is your Guild Card. This can also be used to confirm your identity. Also, this can also be used to access your own database so please try your best not to lose it."

Something futuristic has come out. The civilization gap is here, and it's strange.

"About the card and the card reader, those are mass produced by the god of magic and the god of workmanship, so please don't worry about it."

If I think about how the gods mass produces things, I feel a little better. Also, what kind of power do they use? Maybe it's magical power.

"As for the power, they absorb magic from the surroundings and are using that to operate. The consumption is insignificant and there's almost no breakdown."

While looking at the card, the information that I wrote in the paper earlier comes out. In addition, there's also a information telling that I am at the 10th rank.

"Also, this card is directly connected to your soul and continues to ping."

Ping in the parallel world, it's directly translated. Indeed it doesn't suit.

"If your soul has passed on, there will be a report of your death in each reader. Using this as a trigger, there's a way for you to write a will, since this is free of charge service, feel free to use it."

So there's a service even when you die. Though if possible I don't want to end up using it.

"Dewa, this will be the conclusion of the explanation and the registration. Your trust will be this guild's and your power. please believe in yourself and try your best"

The receptionist-Jousan told me while smiling.

"Thank you for your help. The explanation was easy to understand."

While reminiscing that long explanation that caused me to be tired a little, I went to look for requests.

Chapter 14 – Mr Backbeard is looking..... Back look?

I went to the board with the rank 10 requests.

About taking requests, it seems the first who brings the request to the receptionist desk will get it.

Also, there are some requests that you can take without an upper limit. For example the collection of pepper, medicinal herbs, etc.

The requests I can see are: abandoned house demolition, carrying road fixing materials, babysitting, copying books, and house cleaning.

There are many posted requests that can be done within the village. The list is sorted by completion fee from top to bottom, and even two of the same type of request, such as babysitting, can have an about 50% difference of reward.

Is it that? Maybe it depends on the child's energy?

Meanwhile, collecting medicinal herbs in the northern forest is much more efficient. Although there will be different kinds of vegetation, compared to the ones from the southern forest the rewards are around 2 times better.

Since I was curious about that, I tried asking the receptionist-san.

The registration process doesn't happen that often, so I asked the receptionist-san from before.

"So it is about the collection in the northern forest? The southern forest is under the protection of the gods of plants, so because of this, there should be no huge carnivores or demons. As for the northern forest, because the forest is not under divine protection, and since it's also filled with magical energy, there are huge carnivores and demons. Since they won't go out from their territories, the threat-level will not be that high but, we still cannot recommend this to beginners. For more information, there should be something that you can learn regarding the forests in the library on the second floor. If you'd like to, please confirm there."

To be honest, I don't want to put my life on the line without any information. Even though the parallel world cliche is that you're strong, as for someone who's an overweight old man, that's impossible.

Information is a weapon. It is really a wonder where they get their brute courage in the past.

Because of that, I went to the second floor and into the library.

The parchments are bundled up and are placed in order. And inside the library, there's a small girl who's organizing the documents little by little.

"Anoo, I'm sorry to interrupt your work. I would like to borrow the documents that contain information about the northern forest. Are there any documents like that?"

The girl finally noticed me after talking, and she started to look towards me while getting flustered.

"Hai, Documents about the northern forest desu ne? I have a rough copy of the map, habitat and territories, and the location of vegetation. Are these okay for you?"

Oohh. A perfect answer. It's like that, with braids and wearing glasses she would feel like a class president character.

She's cute but, I am not a lolicon. It would be fine if she at least reached Lizatia's age, but that would be 15 years-old right? Am I a lolicon.....? I might get shouted by Mr. Backbeard.

Well, I wouldn't look like a lolicon if my partner is taller than me, and she's already an adult. Well, there's no worth even if I think about it.

"Here are the documents. After reading, please return them to the counter."

Pekotto bowed down her head, then went to patapata resuming her work. She looks like an energetic Zashiki Warabe.

"Let's see, the northern forest."

For now, I will use the distance from edge of the southern forest to this village, which is 5km, as a reference.

Towards the northern forest, the distance is the same, which is around 5km. Although it has an elliptical shape that spreads to the east and west, it has a

major diameter of about 35 km.

Although the scaling of the map is lazily made, this forest is really big isn't?

To make it easy to understand for the people from Hyogo prefecture, using the Hanshin Express, the distance from Sannomiya to Osaka is about 35km, more or less.

"You can insert three municipalities in this size. I think I will not be able to go back home if I get lost."

One of the inhabiting large carnivores is the bear. In addition, it seems to be a 3m large bear. Since their territory is somewhere in the middle of the forest, the chance of meeting should be low.

There are wolves as well. About the wolves, their territory is so big, that even if you're at the outer edge of the forest you still can meet them.

Also, poisonous creatures in the forest are like the Aodaishou Modoki from the past. As expected of the Beginner's Forest. Good thing for it to be set to low-level. Though this isn't an RPG.

As for the monsters and demons, it is as follows:

- Horned Rabbits? Monokonrabbit. They seem to be herbivores, and when a large animal approach them they use their horns as a defensive weapon.
- Everyone's favorite, Goblin-san. It seems goblin is already translated as a goblin. Also, they seem to be evolved to some extent and are grouped while carrying weapons.
- Green colored monkey? It seems to be called literally Green Monkey.
 They seem to be living off by fruits and insects, and sometimes when a large creature enters their territory they will first try to intimidate, and then attack.

Although a few cases have been confirmed afterward, it is not stated in the document because there is no clear report of it happening.

Rabbits and monkeys are fine but, goblin-san *ka*. In case of RPG they are just some mobs, but if they hold a weapon they can be a threat.

For example, if there's an old man swinging a knife around that is already a

case for the police. You can only call them. And if that appears in the forest, it's like a horror.

Regarding the vegetation, there seems to be some profitable ones, but no detailed description. However, medicinal herbs that are listed in those requests can be seen somewhere around the northern forest.

Just like the small girl told me, I returned the documents back to the counter afterwards.

"For now, let's ask them to show me real medicinal herbs."

Going down to the first floor, I asked the girl at the reception desk again.

"Sumimasen, do you have a sample of Vuass Grass?"

"Hai. Please wait for a moment. Here it is. If you want to collect some from the forest, grab the grass 20cm from the ground and pull it."

I murmured while holding the Vuass grass in my hand.

"Use'Identify'"

Fumu. The grass seems to contain some anesthetic chemicals.

The grass itself absorbs some magical power from its surroundings than makes a components holding magical power for healing and stores them inside. The way the grass heals is that it helps the body's natural healing power to close wounds and stuff.

I thought that the wounds will be healed instantly if you eat the healing grass in RPG, but this is the way it actually works.

"By the way, how is this grass used?"

"The pharmacists guild extracts the medicinal components from it and turns them into medicine for wounds."

Aah, just as expected. The efficiency should increase if you concentrate the medicinal ingredients.

Well, since I have confirmed it with the help of 'Identify', I should make no mistake while plucking them.

Just in case, let's confirm what part is needed as the proof of subjugation for

the demons that I've looked into earlier. I don't know if I'll encounter them, but it'll be a hassle if I have bring the whole thing just for confirmation.

It seems you can only accept subjugation requests when you reach rank 9. From the previous 3 species, the material requested is the monokonrabbit's horn.

The proof of subjugation for goblins and green monkeys is their nose, and for monokonrabbits both of their ears.

These too have no limit of subjugation.

"I would like to accept the request of 5 Vuass grass for 800 Wars, is there any paperwork I should do beforehand?"

"Since there's no limit for the gathering of Vuass grass, there's no need for any paperwork. If you have brought something, please bring them to that appraisal counter."

For now, since I have finished my objective here, I am going to get ready.

I returned to Asuto's house, then I asked if there are 2 *natas*, 1 strap, and 2 straw bags that I can borrow from Tisha.

One *nata* has been put in a sheath then attached to my belt. The other one is bound to the cane with a strap and turned into a simple glaive.

Even in the middle ages, a farmer-soldiers have used *natas* as glaives so this shouldn't look weird that much.

When I was a student I learned some Kendo so I know this, that in case of a fight, having a weapon with longer reach can be a huge advantage.

To be honest, in case of an opponent as strong as me, it'll be scarier to fight against someone who has a steel pipe rather than someone who has a small knife.

Because there's no sharp tip I can't use this to pierce, but by using this mass of iron even if I'm unable to penetrate it should do some damage.

"Yoshi, it's about time to go."

Since I'm done with my preparation, I told Tishia that I will go to the northern

forest.

After I said that, she handed over something that's been covered with leaves.

"It's lunch. Though I apologize since it's not something grand."

I was very grateful because I forgot about lunch.

After that, I went to refill my water bottle.

Saa, it's time for my first adventure.

Chapter 15 - My First Time Was..... A Goblin.... Potsu

By the way, I understood the list of requests that I can accept at the moment, and I was able to grasp the amount of remuneration as well.

Because of that, another check on my TODO list.

[x] Confirm the Difficulty of Each Request and the Remuneration Amount

I know I've already said this but, requests are divided clearly by grade.

From the village to the northern forest, there's a trail that's been formed to some extent after being repeatedly stepped on.

Because of the requests, there is some street traffic here and there.

As expected at this time I won't meet that many people, since everyone starts working earlier than this time.

While walking along the road leisurely, I saw a familiar grass and an unfamiliar grass growing beside the road.

"Vegetation really does look strange. Maybe the god that oversee plants have brought them from another parallel world and started growing them here."

While thinking that I don't care even if it looks like a <u>Solidago canadensis</u>, walked while making a *botoboto* sound .

After walking for a little bit more time, the trees started to look sparse.

"*Uuumnnn*. This place looks like a <u>coniferous forest</u>. Is it because of the bad land or just there's not enough divine protection? There's black pine, red pine.... This one is hinoki cypress tree, and that's a cedar. "

Looks like the living things in the northern forest mainly feed off the pine nuts and mushrooms.

Aah, let's peel off some bark off the tree.

"Ohh, I knew there will be some trees that I don't know. There are some fruits growing but I don't know if they're edible or not."

For the time being, I will ask Lizatia about them after I get back home, so I

picked some fruits that I have never seen before.

I'm walking while looking around my feet, but there's still no sign of Vuass grass.

"It seems everything on the entrance has been taken already."

While checking the compass of the smartphone, I kept going north. Around every 5m, using my *nata* I carve a '1' and an arrow facing the north on the surface of the trees.

"Even if you say I have a compass, I can still get lost."

It looks like there is not much of an overgrowth, but it is more like there's no feeling of richness from the forest.

The case may be that the southern forest is just more overgrown that normal.

Also, as I approach the depths of the forest, I started to feel a presence of something hard to describe.

<Informing. The presence that you're feeling right now is a creature that can
recognize magic.>

'IB'- sensei told me proactively.

If this feeling gets stronger, it would be hard to notice other presences.

To be honest, a normal person feels something with their 5 senses, so if one of those gets stronger it can overwhelm the other senses.

Going further in for about one hour, a more swamp-like terrain appears.

"As far as I can see around here, there's no sign of a river. Is this whole place only ground and trees?"

Before going to a place where footing is bad, I looked around, and finally, I discovered Vuass grass here and there.

"Hmm.. It looks like it can't grow when there's no water source nearby. Or maybe it depends on the concentration of magic?"

Just like the receptionist girl told me, I pulled only grasses that are more than 20cm from the root.

While confirming what I'm pulling with the help of Identify'-sensei, I plucked grasses for about 2 hours.

Since it's impossible to bend continuously with my body shape, I worked while leaning in some random rocks.

"Daaaa. I reached 100 grasses. Any more plucking will kill my waist."

I bound each 5 grasses as i could, so there are a total of 20 bundles.

As expected I feel exhausted because of all the walking around. Checking the time, it's around 1 PM.

"I would like to start eating my lunch but, let's see if I'm infested with leeches first."

I turned around the hem of my pants and checked under the socks, good, no sign of them. I touched from my neck to my shoulders and mouth, but everything's fine.

"Well for now, this should be mission accomplished. Maybe I will have lunch after exiting the forest."

While I'm checking the compass to keep heading south, I started to see trees with scratches on them.

Starting there, I should be able to reach the exit just by walking towards the south.

"Looks like the revenue will be better than expected. Maybe being an adventurer is really good? Well, if you don't have a compass there will be a chance of being lost, so maybe it's not that good."

While walking while somewhat distracted, I noticed a movement from the distant bush.

"Hm? Maybe it's an animal?"

I am in a place with a bad view due to those dense trees. For safety, I grabbed my glaive instead of my cane and hid in the bush.

Something came out while making a rustling sound. It's a bipedal gray colored creature.

Long ears growing sideways, eyes were almost all black. Nose is protruded like of pigs, and mouth is thin. There are two fangs that can be seen on the upper jaw.

Height is around 130cm, and there is no hair. On the waist, there's a skin of the beast wrapped as is.

On its hand there is a 1m piece of wood that has a pointed tip and it is held like a spear.

"Uwo. So that's a goblin. I thought it would look like a servant fairy, but it's just really ugly."

While looking here and there, it started patrolling the surroundings.

"Hmmm. Based on its movements, it looks like a scout. I'll be in trouble if I let them grow in number."

While singing GIGOGIGA, it started to get near me.

"If I get discovered while trying to leave, there's a chance they will gather in a large group and start chasing me. I think in this situation, the first strike wins."

Although I have hunted a quadruped creature, This will be my first time subjugating a bipedal creature.

I went around the bushes towards the bush behind the goblin, without making a sound.

The goblin still had its guards down while walking and checking its surroundings.

"OOOOOUUUUURRRRRAAAAAAAAAA!"

I jumped out from the bush, I approached the goblin and swung my glaive towards its right thigh.

It's fine even if the blade doesn't hit since the purpose is to disable the leg. But the *nata* actually reached the bone.

"GI, GIGAAAAAAAAAAAAA!!"

Goblin shrieked.

I pulled out my glaive from the goblin with some effort.

The goblin became stiff due to the sudden pain, while being unable to look behind, it tried to fight back.

"KOREDE TODOME DA!"

I swung the just released glaive with its blade rotated, and just like that, I tried to hit the left side of the goblin's head.

I hoped that it would at least end with a concussion if the rotation is not enough, but it seems to have successfully chunked into its left side and chopped the goblin's face, then it stopped in the middle.

It trembled while the sensation was gradually weakening, and it stopped completely shortly after.

<Notice from the 'Acquisition'. Due to fulfilling the condition of 'Acquisition'. Corresponding skills are acquired: 'Spear' 0.16, 'Awareness' 0.08>

I saw in historical drama and anime that every time someone attacks he starts to yell, so I thought that maybe I can fight in silence. But when you're about to kill a humanoid creature, you'll need the momentum and energy to do it successfully.

Contrary to my expectations, I didn't feel that much fear and disgust. Though it sure felt different than hunting your food.

<Informing. The skill'Bravery'can invalidate the effect of fear type skill up to 2 times its level. Also, it can be effective against the state of 'Fear'>

<Currently, the skill 'Bravery'is at 0.2 so it can't completely negate anything.</p>
But, it looked like it has negated some of it.>

An explanation came from IB'-sensei . As expected, he's always calm and accurate.

Well after that, while reminiscing about the feeling of fighting against a bipedal creature, I walked towards my destination.

Chapter 16 – I'm Home, Wait, Isn't Something Warm Here?

I asked'IB'-sensei the question that just came up in my mind right now.

"Lizatia has 'Archery(Toluca-Village-Style Small Bow)'kind of skill, so what's the difference to the goblin's 'Spearman'skill?"

<Solving. If we were to name the skill strictly, it will be'Spearmanship(Northern Forest Goblin Driftwood spear)'0.19.>

<Due to structural difference, it's difficult to use it as is, so we extract the usable parts and we apply it as your skill.>

<Incidentally, as an example, in case of Akihiro's world's'Katana Wielding', the
skill can derive into 'Shinkage-Style'or 'Jigen-Style'.>

<The skill'Katana Wielding'will be at the top of the skill tree structure and becomes the basis or the nucleus of each derivation. Then, each style will be linked to that.>

Aahh..... So, the basics of katana such as swinging, parry, or counter will be the top of the skill tree, and when requirements are reached the derivation will be unlocked.

Does that mean that if I have my 'Katana Wielding'skill leveled up, I will be able to move like the past's master fencer?

Maa, it will be hard to find a katana in this medieval age like world, also, it's more desirable to obtain a mid-range weapon rather than small-range weapon.

In the first place, it's hard to imagine a over weight old man gracefully swinging a katana.

I stopped using my imagination to escape reality, for now, I will clean up things that I've already done.

I don't know how smart goblins are, but if your scout doesn't come back, it should make them feel suspicious.

It'll be bad if they group up after finding a corpse.

Though I have no tools to dig up a hole.

It feels bad to dismember a bipedal creature but, I sliced the proof of subjugation which is the nose, I also cut its legs and neck, then put them into a bag.

It's obvious that the body will not go in so I carried it back to the wetlands. I sunk the body in the deep parts and to avoid it on floating up I pressed it down with a stone and concealed it.

And then, I saw small crab-like and shrimp-like creatures, so I think they will help me clean it up.

Other than that, since there are bears and wolves in the forest, I hope they think that this body's been mauled by them.

I washed the bag that's drenched with blood and squeezed it. I grabbed the subjugation proof(nose) and put it in the bag, which I then folded, and threw it inside the other bag that contains with Vuass grass.

"Aahh. Leather shoes started getting very weary. I think it's time to buy a new pair or I'll be in trouble."

Regarding the clothes, it is not hard modifying them to fit me so I was able to borrow clothes easily, but for shoes there's a problem of size so I'm wearing the shoes that I had from the beginning.

I pulled out a piece of scrap instead of a towel, and wiped my shoes.

Lastly, I went back to the place were I fought, and I scattered the soil and concealed the blood stains.

"Well by doing all of these, I finally feel relieved. I would like to use this place again as a collection area, if possible"

If I'm not mistaken, goblin should get me around 2000 Wars. Life threatening act only worth 3 hours worth of work in a convenience store? Life's cheap.

While thinking about useless things, I went back to the forest's exit.

I became hungry since time for lunch has passed long ago. It took an hour just for cleaning and moving.

"Well then, let's see what's for lunch."

I opened up the lunch that Tisha-san gave me.

It was a sandwich made with this morning's rye bread with mustard spread on it, and for the filling it was salted cabbage with ham.

"This is a mustard right? So there are Mustard Flowers..... Maybe it's on southern forest?"

Regarding the ham, it's saltier than the one that I ate back in Japan, but maybe because my body is tired, it was really tasty.

"Gochisousamadeshita, Oishuugozaimashita."

While thanking Tisha-san, I walked towards the village slowly.

When it was almost dusk, I arrived at the Adventurers' Guild.

Doing as the receptionist girl told me, I approached the appraisal counter.

Maybe because I'm still early, there was no need to line up, and I was able to reach the counter just like that.

"Vuass grass and a goblin *Desu ne?* Please let me confirm what you have. A moment please."

The receptionist here is a deep-brown haired 30 year-old-man.

He is confirming the shape of the grass 1 by 1. Appraisal ended in less than 10 minutes.

"The reward fee will be: 1 goblin for 2000 Wars, 20 bundles of Vuass grass for 16000. The total will be 18000."

"Yes. Please go ahead."

"Dewa, can I have your card please?"

He inserted the card into the card reader, and the number on the request board has been decreased.

Is there some information embedded in the request itself? This looks like a very sophisticated technology.

"Registration has been finished. There is no change of rank this time.

Regarding the subjugation of goblin, since those are usually for rank 9s, you have been ranked up from rank10-10 to rank10-1."

Just as expected, I won't rank up that easily in one day.

"As for the Vuass grass, since the quantity is high, this will be a great help."

It seems the source of the grass on the near exit of the northern forest has been already exhausted so the supply became unstable.

Since medicine for wounds can save one's life, the pharmacists' guild seemed to be on edge as well.

There are some in the depths of the forest, but it's unpopular because of the high threat level.

To be honest, I don't have that much need to check one by one because of the help of Identify'-sensei, so I am personally grateful.

That thing aside, I received three 5000 Wars coins, and three 1000 Wars coins.

Aahh, I want some small bag to use as a wallet. If there is no banknote then a bag would be really useful.

Well for now, another check to TODO list.

- [x] Confirmation of Collection Request
- [x] Confirmation of Search Method of Collection Target
- [x] Try to Improve the Efficiency of Identify'

This area is completed. Maybe the subjugation part of TODO list will be for later. If my rank won't go up the efficiency will not be that great.

[] Confirm What Are the Fruits With The Help of Lizat	ia
[] Buy Some Shoes	
[] Buy a Wallet	
[] Buy a Bag	

The addition will be something like this I guess.

Let's go to the general store before going back to Asuto's house.

The general store is located somewhere in the middle of the village.

It seems they have almost everything related to the every day items.

Well, I don't want to return a dirtied bag so I bought a new one.

As for the wallet, there was a 15cm drawstring wallet so I chose that. It was cute because there was a carved wild boar on it.

By the way, The tunics that I am borrowing has a hook around the bosom area, maybe that is where I place the wallet?

It's able to hang it around my belt, but because I have a big stomach I can't see anything under it.

Since my stomach is really soft and huge, so I have my belt loosely, and because of that there's a fear of dropping the wallet.

"2 Bags will be for 3000 Wars each, and a wallet for 2000 Wars each. The total will be 8000 Wars "

The clerk was a gray headed 60-year-old-man.

My income for the day has been reduced close to half. Though it cannot be helped.

By the way, regarding the shoes, it seems I can buy them at the shoe store.

Considering it might be a handicraft product, the price can be around 10000 Wars.

Well, another checks for my TODO list

[x] Buy a Wallet

[x] Buy a Bag

Let's finish it at once.

Since I am pretty tired, I decided to return to Asuto's home as quick as possible.

"Tadaima, Omodorimashita."

Saying so while opening the door, I thought that this is the first time saying I'm back since the divorce.

I felt that my chest started to warm up.

Chapter 17 - 'Identify' has been updated

When I tried replace the used bag with the one I bought for Tisha, I was politely refused.

It seemed that the original bag was already old and used, but with the excuse of gratitude for letting me freeload, she finally accepted it.

Soon after, Asuto and Lizatia came back.

It seems they were be able to set the traps successfully.

They also managed to hunt something like a crossbreed of mountain birds.

Since it's already been processed, we will use that as it is for our dinner.

Tisha and Lizatia went to the kitchen in a bright mood.

"18000 Wars in one day, I made quite a bit of money."

I talked to Asuto while the dinner was being made.

What I understood is that generally the annual income of a farmer's family is around 1 million Wars before tax.

With some calculation, it seems I could to earn that much in about two months. If that's the case, maybe everyone would want to be adventurers.

"It's difficult to collect 20 bundles of Vuass grass in one day. Since entering the forest equals to higher threat level, normal people usually avoid doing this. Also, even if an adventurer looks around the edge of the forest, at best he would get 2 bundles of Vuass Grass in one day."

If that's the case then earning a living will be difficult.

Also, it looks like you can accept rank 10 requests even if you're not an adventurer.

If that's the case then there will be no tax deduction but, it will be declared by the adventurers' guild to the country at the time of tax collection.

I thought that there are a lot of miscellaneous tasks in the village, and it seems those are to help the people without stable work earn money.

Well, because my income is not stabilized yet, I asked if they can let me freeload until I reach rank 9, their answer was the same as yesterday's.

By the way, as for the older brother, they said that he will still be away for around a month. Seems that a hunter in the Ruth village can't work due to his injury, so while that hunter recovers, he is the one who's helping them get food. Apparently, *onii-san*'s name is Atten.

By the time the talks calmed down, cooking was done and the dinner was ready.

Using the mountain yam as a binding to form the dumplings with bird meat and cabbage. There's also stew of root vegetables and rye bread.

It seems that there are bread-maker guilds, and from there they are getting the rye bread.

"Ohh, the dumpling is fluffy and tasty. The fragrance and the meat juices are indescribable. You're a good cook."

"Arigatougozaimasu....."

Lizatia answered while being shy. While Tisha grins she continues.

"This girl, even though she doesn't like cooking that much. But ever since Akihiro-san came she started doing her best."

I enjoyed the dinner with a warm feeling.

We took a short break after dinner, following that we started the processing of the prey.

"Did you cut into a bone?"

Asuto asked me after seeing the *nata* I used to make the glaive.

Certainly, there was a small nick in the middle.

"Well in this degree, it should be fixed if you just sharpen it. Leave the sharpening to me."

From the barn, he took out a container with warm water and a grinding stone.

"I'm sorry for troubling you, I will be in your care."

I have an experience of sharpening a kitchen knife, but I only passed it through the electric sharpener, to be honest, I don't know how to sharpen blades.

I thought of observing the process for the future, but I was stopped by Asuto.

"My way of sharpening is self-taught. If you want to learn the proper way, go learn from the blacksmiths."

Because my hands were free, I attached another nata to the cane.

I naively thought that I will only have to harvest, but considering what happened today, the chance of having to fight again will be high.

<Informing. Each skill can be improved by gaining proficiency].>

As a matter of fact, I would like to confirm my skills, so I wanted to use 'Identify'but because I don't have a mirror I am in trouble.

I thought it's possible by seeing the water reflection, but it wasn't.

<Resolving. A part of the skill'Identify'will be updated. Please hold on a moment.>

<..... Update finished. This is the change log. The visual information interception function has been extended.>

<The activation keywords will be"Activate self-identification""Deactivate self-identification">

'IB'-sensei solved my problem in a flash. He really is awesome.

"Activate self-identification"

As soon as I murmured that, about 50 cm ahead, a translucent glass plate appeared.

♦ Skill Information

'Intelligent Being'

'Identify'

'Acquisition'

'Stealth'0.12

'Bravery'0.20

'Fua Continental Common Language (Conversation)'0.12

'Fua Continental Common Language (Reading Comprehension)'0.06

'Fua Continental Common Language (Description)'0.01

'Spearmanship'0.16

'Alertness'0.08

My current skills have been listed on the glass panel. Hmm. I wonder what happened to the knowledge that I've gained before coming to this world?

<Resolving. Regarding the skills you've obtained in your previous world, they have been masked and concealed. If the skill 'Acquisition'recognizes the skill then the mask will be removed.>

Ah. 'Stealth'has also improved. If I'm not mistaken it was 0.03 before.

<Resolving. While you're in the battle with the goblin, you were using
'Stealth'.>

<The skill 'Stealth' activates when there's a creature with a visual ability and you try to hide away from it.>

So the skill'Stealth'improved because i was able to sneak attack from the bushes while using the skill.

"Deactivate self-identification"

After murmuring the keywords, the translucent glass panel disappears.

Fumu. It is easy to keep up the motivation, if you can see the results of your hard work.

Well, let's do our best and train!

Chapter 18 – The God is Watching..... Kamimite?

To be honest, I don't even know the basics of using glaives.

I was in the Kendo Club when I was in the junior high school. Tthere was a naginata-section but I just peeked at it and nothing more.

I have the experience of borrowing training equipment to do a practice match, but I got rekt.

I thought that rather than swinging a long weapon, normally, a bamboo sword will be faster.

Because the frequency of strikes is different, I'll be hit with a bamboo sword faster than I will hit. Faster things, faster threats.

In high school, rather than joining a club, I was at home playing games. If only I entered an athletic club I wouldn't have this big stomach......

"If I'm not mistaken, I need to take a posture keeping the center of gravity close to the center of my body."

For the moment, I imagine the median line and then swing the blade. I tried to stop the swing around my chest, but it still dropped to the bottom of my waist.

To be honest, as someone who lived while doing only desk works, I don't have enough muscles. I didn't even think that a 30 cm *nata* would feel heavy.

First of all, I need to raise my stamina and my physical strength, while thinking like that, I continue swinging like drawing the kanji for rice.[米]

Maybe it's the influence of the skill, but I started to gradually understand the basics of grasping and handling. But for real this big stomach is getting in the way.

After swinging around for 30 minutes, my arm started trembling. My grip strength is almost gone too. I have an overwhelming lack of exercise.

When I was a student I could keep swinging for 3 hours easily without getting tired. I hate metabolism.

When I confirmed my status with the help of Identify'-sensei, 'Spearmanship'has grown to 0.18. Maybe because I started to be able to handle things a little bit better that it did grow a little.

Since I'm drenched with sweat, I borrowed warm water and wiped my body with a towel. After my body has been cleaned, I went the bed.

I really want to sleep. I will work hard tomorrow so please excuse me.

Next morning, I again woke up at the dawn. I'm grateful for not having to use an alarm.

My arm is a little bit heavy but my grip strength is back. But, this is a trap.

When you grow in age. Usually, the muscle pains come when it's almost healed.

The breakfast's menu was the same as yesterday's dinner.

While I was talking about my schedule to everyone, I suddenly remembered about my grandfather.

Because he was a farmer and a hunter, he was really religious. Before going hunting for wild boar or deer, I remember he was offering sake and complementary snacks to the gods.

I got to a point where I can earn my living expenses. It also seems that the gods are real, so maybe I should pay them a visit at least once.

After asking about the religious view of this world, I learned that it's polytheism rather than monotheism. It is said that Gods appeared long ago and each god has his own authority. According to the documented history in the past 1000 years, they have made appearances frequently.

They are basically gentle gods but each one has their own taboo, and if you do something related to that then you will get a punishment. This makes the money forgery matter more understandable.

Buildings such as churches and similar religious institutions are not intended for missionary purposes, instead they are mainly concerned with the appreciation and service to the gods.

Also, these institutes offer primary education, such as reading, writing, and

basic math.

Well, for now, maybe I will say thanks for letting me live and report about arriving here, in this parallel world.

I went to see Asuto and Lizatia off, received lunch from Tisha, then proceeded towards the church.

It is the only building in the village surrounded by stone walls.

After passing through the gate, you can see a garden and a building made of stone. The scale of the place is similar to that of a small-sized gymnasium.

While thinking that this building can be used as an emergency shelter, I opened the door.

There was nothing that looked like a statue of a god, but rather it looked like an auditorium.

An elderly woman wearing a priest clothing called out to me.

"Nice to meet you. Welcome to the church. May I ask your reason for your visit?"

She asked with a calm expression and tone.

"I would like to offer a prayer of appreciation to God. This is my first time, so would you please teach me the proper way of doing it?"

Answering that, she started teaching me how to pray.

I need to go up the stage and put my weapons aside, raise my hands while kneeling. After that, I need to close my eyes.

While I thought that the most respectful salute comes from here, I headed to the stage.

I put my weapons aside, lifted my two hands, and sat on my knees.

<Informing. A serious error has occurred. An unknown system has been connected to us. Countering...>

'IB'-sensei told me in a panicky tone, rather than the normal calm one. While thinking of that, suddenly I heard someone.

"AHAHAHAHAHAHAHA. This is funny, so funny, so so funny, really funny."

A white-haired boy, wearing a silk hat and a swallowtail suit, who's also standing in mid-air, suddenly appeared in front of my eyes.

herue floating midair	

"Nice to meet you, really nice to meet you, visitor. Welcome to this world. My name is Sherue. I'm the one who governs enjoyment."

A young man talks to me while wholeheartedly having fun.

"Someone who governs? Are you a God?"

Due to my surprise, I don't know what to say.

"Oh yes, yes, yes. All beings in this world, yes everything, call us a God."

"What do you mean by visitor?"

"Fumu. Fumufumu. Although I don't mind answering that, but I named myself. MYSELF. How about you? Your name?"

I acted rudely without noticing it.

"I am sorry about that. My name is Maekawa Akihiro."

"Maekawa, Akihiro. So it's Akihiro. So it is read 'display the beauty of water'. Very good. Ideal name to call you, Akihiro-kun."

As someone who governs excitement, he's indeed excited.

"So about the visitor right. *Fumu*. You, ever since this world has been made, yes ever since, you're the first visitor of this world."

"First time? Visitor?"

"Yes, yes. There are lots of worlds. And each of the worlds has their own gods, and all worlds are independent to each other."

I tilted my head while he is nodding.

"Aahh..... It's bothersome to explain the concept. I will borrow some of your knowledge."

As soon as Sherue put his hands on my head, I felt something like an electric shock.

"Fumu. Fumu fumu. You can think of the world, the universe, like a server that connects everything in an independent network. As for us, gods, we're the ones holding the authority to manage each server application. You can say that you guys are the terminals connected to the server. You, you're someone that somehow crossed from one closed network, to this network that we govern. Isn't that amusing?"

If I crossed between closed network, isn't there's a way to physically connect them?

"Aren't there any logs left about that incident?"

"Ahahahaha. Good. We understood each other. Regarding the logs, interestingly, it has been tampered with."

"Who did? For what reason? And in the first place, is there anyone who has such authority?"

"It takes a lot of trouble to build a server. The original environment is build based on the default settings. Then in each server the corresponding environment is inserted."

Ah, I got a bad feeling.

"In order to make the servers more diverse, the configuration of each application is different. So, who makes the configuration for each applications?"

"Administrator?"

"Subarashii. Subarashii. Yes, someone with a superior concept than that of god."

"Why did someone like that connect me to this environment?"

"Fumu. Fumu fumu. Amusingly, I don't know the answer to that! I already tried to confirm about that, but there's no response."

Is it like a case of bad connection to the technical support?

"If you want to change the environment, then make another application, if you want to make someone do something then using the terminal is faster. So, because of it. In this environment, that has been going for 100000 years already, you that we call a visitor has appeared. Isn't that amusing?"

I kinda understand the feelings of someone who's been kidnapped, even though there's no known purpose.

"Other than that, it is about the skills that you have. Those skills are not something from this application's skill list."

"The'Intelligent Being', Identify'and'Acquisition'?"

"<u>Umu. Umu Umu</u>. That's right. Taking in consideration the future, let me give you a brief explanation."

He raised a finger.

"'Intelligent Being'is a voice chat connected to a support system operated with the administrator's authority."

I can not imagine that. I wonder who's the one I've been talking to until now.

"However, it looks like it is considerably restricted. In fact its main purpose is just to explain something that's outside of your universal knowledge."

He raised another finger.

"As for your'Identify', it's like a browser software, but it can only display information on something that'IB'allows you to."

He raised another finger.

"'Acquisition'is a something like the administrator privilege to acquire skills from this world's skill tree."

In that 10 minutes conversation, something outrageous has been passed to me.

"And that would be everything regarding your skill's information. Any questions?"

"So basically, I am someone who's using an illegal software that's not under the recognition of the management side? If that's the case will there be no problem for the network?"

"Don't Worry, don't worry. Your skill is something like a terminal software, and that's something that won't do anything huge to the server. Especially since we, the management side already know about it. We, really love this, this garden like environment. Environment management is something like equipment management. And we have been doing that for a long time. So to this environment that we love, yes, to this priceless garden's first visitor which is you. We, really welcome your visit."

It looks like I really am welcomed here. That really gave me a sense of relief.

"Although we still don't know the administrator's purpose, we still wish for you to live in this environment. Of course if you wish to return, we can coordinate about that."

It is good news that the means of return has come to light. However,

"Is it possible to move along with other terminals at the time of return?"

Although it was a short time, they were a people that has a positive relationship with me. Even if it is a misunderstanding, we also have a marriage proposal. I should take the responsibility.

"Fumu. Fuumu. As for that, it depends on the administrators. As for our side, for this garden that we love, its residents are also something that we love."

So for him, it will be a NO.

"From this time onwards, as the gods of this environment, we will look after you. Since we are gods after all. Since it's hard to stay living without a proper foundation, I will give you some presents."

Again, Sherue puts his palm on my head. But unlike last time, instead of shock it was a warm feelings that passed on to me.

"Right now, in order to release you from IB's protection, you're in a position where you're not connected in the network but the server itself. If I leave, you'll understand naturally."

Everything was still when I looked around.

"My authority is enjoyment. My influence is pretty big if it comes down. Enjoyment means having fun with a splendid moment. Long enjoyment is nothing compared to brief enjoyment."

Well for now, I returned to the original prayer pose.

"Be happy, be happy, be happy. New resident. I am looking forward to our next meeting."

Sherue disappeared. As soon as that happens, a static shock like sound appeared again in my head.

<Informing. Reconnection has been confirmed. Restoration has been confirmed. Starting the confirmation of connection to an unknown system. Confirmation finished. There's no connection to an unknown system. Normal operation has been restored.>

'IB'-sensei is back.

<Notice from the skill'Acquisition'. A condition for 'Acquisition'has been fulfilled. 'Praying'1.00,'Magic Control'1.00,'Attribute Control(Wind)'1.00, has

been acquired.>

'Acquisition'-sensei's wording is slightly different. Is this the gift?

For the time being, I stood up and re-equipped my weapons.

Because I've obtained too much information, I am overloaded. After resting a little, I'll think about it.

I talked with the priestess and then I left the church

"Will she return, I wonder... Regarding my return, that it's also not definitive."

For now, add another line on the TODO list.

[]Confirm the Usage of 'Praying' Magic Control 'Attribute Control (Wind)'

Well then, let's have a break.

Chapter 19 – Isn't Kinkin Voice Overwhelming?

There were several benches in the front yard of the church, so I sat down there.

According to the conversation with Sherue, it seems that the gods of this place love their world.

However, I imagine it like <u>Agape</u>. Based on the explanation, it means that demons are also part of the terminal. Maybe finding it weird is human egoism?

About the similarities in the shape of humans and the vegetation, is it due to the convergent evolution and discarding information from the same image?

"Ah, I wasn't able to confirm the ways of reproduction...... Well, it's hard to ask in that situation."

If it is about 100,000 years ago, it should be around the rise of the Homo Sapiens?

Well, no use thinking about it. I will ask about those when we talk again.

Regarding the supervisor, to be honest, he had an impression of an employee of a data center.

As for the server, if he's the supervisor of the application layer, this is similar with a rental server that has a limited amount of freedom.

In the talk about the closed network, rather than contact/response to the server, it's more like a phone call to the operator.

If that's the case, maybe it is possible for gods to communicate between worlds? Ah, if an information came in corrupted, it would be dangerous instead of relieving.

Well, for now, I'll hold off returning to Earth.

Now that there are some options, the situation has improved.

Next will be the confirmation of the new skills.

Let's ask'IB'-sensei.

<Resolving. The skill'Praying'allows you to send an inquiry to the gods and receive an oracle about it. If mastered, even for an ambiguous question, the answer will still be accurate.</p>

Fumu, well, let's try it.

"God, I am thinking of marrying a woman from this world, is it possible for her to conceive a child?"

I tried to mumble that. Maybe I need to say it like a prayer?

'Haaai. Konnichiwassup. Akihiro-kun desu nee. My name is Freya desuu. I am the one who governs fertility.'

A sweet voice echoes in my brain

I was surprised for getting connected just like that. I thought an oracle would be a lot more dignified than this.

'Regarding baby making, it's all OK *desuu*~. I mean~, the design of this planet, was based on the planet you've lived before *no desuu*~. So please, go make a lot~ The definition of human beings are somewhat different from the Earth's but the genetics~? Is the same~? So even if you have the different races it should be OK *desuu*~ If you have another question just ask again OK~? *Dewa*~ *Mata*~'

I was overwhelmed by the super frank answer.

What kind of skill is the 'Magic Control'? Is it a magic skill at last?

<Resolving. Concerning'Magic Control', this is a skill that allows you to convert magic power and to use magic skills. Unless you have the required minimum level, you cannot use magic power for the corresponding skill.>

Ohh. Will I able to use magic soon? I have quite the expectation.

<Informing. Regarding the magic skills, there are activation formulas to make it work. You will need to gain proficiency to be able to use them.>

Maa, it basically means I need to study about them.

So how about the 'Attribute Control (Wind)'?

<Resolving. By using 'Magic Control', the converted magical power will be

called Prima-Materia. By adding a vector to the Prima-Materia, a phenomenon occurs.>

<As for the Attribute Control(Wind)', by adding a vector of wind attribute, the
Prima-Materia will move into it and thus induce wind-based phenomenon.>

Hmm? Based on that explanation, that means the magic I can use for now, is only wind based magic?

<Resolving. That is correct. But, the skills from the 'Attribute Control' are easy to learn.>

So that means, this skill has a "please have a try" kind of feeling. Skills related to fire are scary to use, while water and earth magic can be easily leave traces or remains behind, so the wind element is the most optimal one. Well, this seems to be everything that's from God.

For the time being, another check on the TODO list.

[x] Confirmation of 'Praying', 'Magic Control', 'Attribute Control'

Well then, let's work hard today as well. Just as the phrase says, "Those who do not work will not eat." So, let's do our best.

Chapter 20 – Surprise Party

I went to the adventurers' guild to check if there are any changes to the completion fee.

I looked into the request form and I confirmed that the completion fee for the request to gather Vuass grass has not changed.

In the future, if I were to live in the village I will have to do some miscellaneous tasks up to a certain point, and there's also a need to interact with the villagers, but for now, the main objective is to gather up the main foundation for living.

Since it's still early in the morning, I can see a lot of people that have the same profession as me. Maybe it is because I'm a newcomer that I can feel their gazes pointed at me.

To be honest, there is a high chance that it is because I am an overweight old man, so it should be fine if they don't mind me that much.

As far as I can see in the lists, there are no requests with a high efficiency of completion. Well, for now, I'll leave before something troublesome happens.

While walking towards the northern forest, with the future in mind, I started to think about Lizatia.

It was a great step knowing that Lizatia and I can be together and create a family.

Actually, If I ever asked if she's my type, it is indeed she's my type 100%. My Northern European Pretty Girl folder is on fire.No, they're not pretty little girls. There's no lolicon attribute. It's better if she's someone more endowed.

After that, I think of my past and the discussion about the return. To be honest, I have to talk about this. This is not something that I can hide from them forever.

"Haa..... Stomach, bundle up....."

A 180 degrees turn and I went back to Asuto's house.

"Ara? Welcome back. Did you forget something?"

I told Tishia that I am thinking of making today's dinner.

"That's fine, but..... Did something happen?"

"It's a bliss that the wife's cooking is delicious, but wouldn't it be amazing if the husband's cooking is also delicious?"

"Ara? Ara ara. I see, so, that's your plan. Wakarimashita."

She started to grin like a Cheshire cat.

"I will buy some ingredients but, could you tell me what ingredients here I can use?"

"Eeh~ It's fine for you to use these."

There were flour and goat butter, salt, pepper, vinegar, and dried rosemary.

"Do you eat fish?"

"There are only a few opportunities to try fish because we usually eat what prey we hunt, but they do like them."

For now, the main menu's decided. Because there is no sugar, I will buy it later.

"Well then, I will be off."

"Hai hai. Dinner, I will be looking forward to it."

She saw me off while smiling.

Well then, let's pump up my motivation.

I arrived at the swampy place I visited yesterday.

When I went to confirm the goblin's remnants, all I saw was the leftovers and almost only skeleton can be seen.

"With this the concealment is all good."

I started to use'Identify'-sensei promptly, and with its help, I gathered up Vuass grass.

While pulling here and there, I started to think about tonight. To be honest, after the divorce, I have never thought of marriage.

The reason for my divorce was, because I got inflicted with ED.

It was something psychogenic, I thought if it's alright for someone ugly like myself to defile my wife, and after getting such ideas it just stopped rising.

Ultimately, the divorce came from my wife herself, and I accepted it.

I am not confident in myself. Also, thinking that it might happen again, the desire for marriage goes away.

But, there is a part of me that wants to change. It's my first time to have pure love directed at me.

While thinking about that, I reached 150 pieces.

I have been working for 3 hours, but I only felt a little fatigue.

After putting 30 bundles inside the bag, I left the forest.

I proceeded south while consciously paying attention to the surroundings. I was able to reach the exit without anything happening.

I ate the lunch that Tishia gave me, and took a break.

"I didn't see a goblin today."

I didn't feel any signs of animals or demons. I headed to the village while thinking that there are such days.

I entered the guild and went to the appraisal counter. Today's receptionist is the same as yesterday's.

"Vuass grass desu ne. Please let me confirm it. Please wait a moment."

He finished appraising it after around 15 minutes.

"The completion fee will be, since there are 30 bundles of Vuass grass, it'll be 24,000 Wars. Is it fine?"

"Hai. Onegaishimasu."

"Dewa, may I have your card?"

He processed it with the reader.

"The registration has completed. There is no change to your rank this time, since the number of achievements is 51. I will return it to you."

Will I rank up after 100 achievements?

"Yesterday as well, I was surprised, I would appreciate your continued support in the future."

I received 4 pieces of 5000 Wars coins, and 4 pieces of 1000 Wars coins.

After a brief greeting, I left the guild.

I went to the bar. They also seem to sell liquor.

"Irasshai. Are you here for meals?"

It looks like this man that's around 50s is the master of this bar.

"Iya, I would like to buy a takeout bottle. Do you have any good white wine here?"

"No more stock for white, are you fine with red?"

"Can I have a taste of it?"

The barmaster pours lightly on to a shallow cup.

After drinking some, hmm, it's quite thin. Maybe it's a picket? However, the taste itself was fine.

"This bottle is fine. Also, I would like to ask for a stronger one in a cup."

"Well then, here."

The red wine poured was free from stagnation, and it was solid.

"This one is good. Can you put it in a small bottle?"

"Everything will be 3000 Wars."

I gave him a 5000 Wars coin and received two 1000 Wars coins.

"Thanks, come again."

After the bar, I went to the fish store.

Rainbow trout..... Was there.

"Can I have three of that rainbow trout there?"

"It'll be 600 Wars."

"I would like them to be sliced into three parts, is it possible for me to ask that?"

"Okay, please wait a moment."

From scaling, they even did the scraping the meat from the bones.

"Well here you go."

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I gave them one 1000 Wars coins, and received four 100 Wars coins.
  "Arigathanks gozaimuch"
 After the fish store, I went to the greengrocer.
They have carrots, and also cauliflower.
 "Can I have 1 whole cauliflower and a carrot?"
  "It'll be 400 Wars in total."
 I passed four 100 Wars coins.
 "Thanks for your shopping."
  Finally, I went to the general store. For some reason, only they have sugar and
not any other store.
 "I want some sugar."
 "Around how much?"
  "How much is it at the smallest scaling?"
  "It'll be like this."
 It was around the half the size of the sugar jug which I often find in a coffee
shop.
 "How much?"
 "It'll be 5000 Wars"
 As expected sugar is expensive.
I passed 5000 Wars coin.
 "Thank you very much. I am looking forward to your next visit."
 Since I've finished my shopping, I went back to Asuto's house.
  "I'm back."
 "Welcome home. Otsukaresamadeshita."
 "I will borrow your kitchen."
  I start a fire in the stove.
I poured plenty of water in the pot and boiled it.
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In the meantime, I processed the carrot and the cauliflower.

As soon as the water started to boil, I threw in the carrot.

I check if the carrot has softened by poking and when it is ready I put in the cauliflower.

At the same time, I seasoned the rainbow trout with salt, pepper, and rosemary, then applied flour.

I put a piece of butter in the pan, and then start frying the rainbow trout beginning with the skin side down.

I fried with high heat, then flipped it over after lowering the heat. I poured the oil back on the fish using my spoon.

As soon as the color of cauliflower became vivid, I threw away the hot water and added salt, sugar, and butter then mix on low heat to the extent that it will not burn.

By the time the rainbow trout is done, two people came back home. It seems there was a wild boar caught in a trap, and just by looking at their luggage I can tell that this one was bigger than the one that we caught before.

"This time's prey was a once in a while big game."

Asuto said so in a good mood.

"Ah. What a great smell. Mom, are you making the dinner already?"

Lizatia said so while smelling.

"Fufufu. Today's dinner is being made by Akihiro-san."

As expected, Tishia's grinning.

"Eh? Akihiro-san, are you in the kitchen!?"

It seems she was really surprised.

Aah, maybe it's not in their culture for a man to be in the kitchen.

I placed the rainbow trout on a plate.

I poured in the red wine in the just emptied pan, flushed alcohol with a high heat, put some salt and vinegar, and boiled it.

When the liquid has evaporated to one thirds of before, I poured it onto the rainbow trout.

And then the rainbow trout is garnished with carrot and cauliflower.

As for the bread, I used the leftover Roggenbrot and arranged it. I poured the Picket into the cups and readied the table.

After making sure everyone has taken their seat, I opened my mouth.

"I have something to tell you before the meals."

I took a deep breath, made a game face, and faced Asuto.

"I came across a clue on how to solve the problem that we talked about the other day. As for the income, I think that there are no more problems. I would like to be in a relationship with *Ojousan* with marriage in mind. Could you allow me?"

After making a blank face, Asuto started to smile.

"There are no problems on this side. From now on, we will be in your care."

Looking at Lizatia, she was looking at me with a bright red face.

"Saa, let's celebrate. Those are Akihiro-san's dishes, so let's eat before it gets cold."

We started eating after Tishia said so.

"What is this, Both carrots and cauliflower are sweet...... And the moment you bite into it, the Umami comes out like *juwaajuwaa*...... What is this?"

Lizatia said so while smiling.

"Rather than that...... This rainbow trout. The crispiness is bliss. Above all, this sauce. It has the fragrance of the butter and a tint of acidity."

Asuto continues eating while making a surprised face.

"It's a surprise isn't? I haven't eaten such a dish. Thinking that Liz can eat a dish like this from now on is making me envious."

Tishia said so while grinning and started to poke on Lizatia.

It seems the surprise dinner is successful.

While I was surrounded by a warm dining table, thinking that from now on they will be my family is making my heart warm.

sure we will be able to build a happy family. That's what I decided in my ort. And I made up my mind.	,

Chapter 21 – Duck Face is Indeed Cute When a Pretty Girl Does it

After the dinner, I brought Lizatia into my room.

Trying to bring an unmarried woman to the room, there was some opposition, but because of what I wanted to say, I told them that this is an important talk that should be done privately.

"Sate, I think the talk will be a little bit long, so please go ahead and have a seat."

I had her sit on the chair, and I sat on my bed. Lizatia, while looking a bit uneasy, silently sat down on the chair.

"Important..... talk is it?"

"Aah, sorry about that. It might sound preposterous to others so I want to have a talk with just the two of us. Things that I have kept hidden, things that happened today, and future talks. On top of that is the marriage talk, I want us to think about it properly. As for the questions, let's leave it for later. I will listen and answer after."

I talked about being an individual not from this world. About my life on Earth. About the divorce and its circumstances. Having met a God and held a conversation with him. The talk about superiors of Gods being involved. That it might be possible to return, and that the chance to bring her back with me is currently unknown. That being said, I would like our bones to be buried together in this land. And that there's a possibility of us making a child. Also I hope that this talk will be taken to the grave.

"And that's everything. Please let me hear what you think frankly."

It seems she thought that I am not an individual from this world. It was suspicious because the clothing materials and the sewing technique were too advanced.

Thinking that I am her savior, her family decided that I am not a threat to them.

Regarding the Earth's technological prowess and that there is no magic, it

seems she's surprised about it. She was thinking that the lighter I was using from time to time is a magic item.

Showing her the lighter, she was surprised that it is made only of material and with technology.

About divorce, there is a general idea similar in this world as well. The God who governs the marriage seems to be flexible about it. Divorces with good reasons are allowed.

As for the divorce, I had complicated feelings talking about it. But, as the time passes, I was able to move on and feel relieved.

Regarding the meeting with God, she wasn't surprised contrary to what I expected. It appears they frequently descend and stay for a some time when there is a need.

"The name of the God who governs enjoyment is new to me. But there's this famous story that, a few years ago, there was an unparalleled talent who performed in the retirement performance of a comedian and this comedian had to hide in his dress room to laugh."

As expected of Sherue, he's playing around.

I had a hard time explaining the superiors of Gods. Since there's no concept of it at all, there's no base to my explanations. I was able to explain them as someone who made Gods and thus higher rank.

As expected she was negative about the talk of going back. It means getting separated from either family after all. I also told her that both of my parents are still alive.

When I told her that I will live with her, she made an expression of half happy and half sorry.

"If possible I want to tell them that I got such a pretty girlfriend. I would if I could."

Saying that, her face became red.

As for the talk of reproduction I told her we should wait for her to reach the age of 16.

"Why 16-year-old specifically?"

"The country where I lived allowed women only above 16-year-old to marry. Even though I decided to live here, personally, I would like to keep that rule."

Saying that, she made a complex face.

By the way, about contraception, I found out that you can ask the God that governs birth for protection.

It seems that rape and such also occur in this world. To prevent unwanted childbirth, women seem to receive protection from the church when menstruation begins.

"I am 15 years old already. It's the truth. I can do it"

Because saying that I am not a lolicon cannot be used as an explanation, for now, I used the run option by saying it's a custom from my world.

After telling her everything, we both became relieved.

"I Have received a serious explanation, and although there are some parts that I cannot believe yet, I did not perceive any lies. Being told properly, is something that makes me happy."

To be honest, I did not expect to reach such a situation. To think about marriage after not even a single week, I am in deep emotion.

"Ano....."

With lavish eyes, she moved to the bed and sat beside me.

"Saying that marriage is a motive, it means that I can expect a marriage in near future *desu yo ne?*"

I could feel her body warmth. Sweet fragrance. Even though she didn't take a bath yet, she can have such a sweet fragrance?

"De, desu ne. Instead Akihiro-san, but would you like me to call you Akihiro?"

She asked me with an upward look. It's cute that she's making a <u>little duck</u> <u>face</u>.

"You can call me Hiro. Since I was called so by my family and friends that should be fine."

"Hiro..... Hiro..... Hiro"

Whispering so, she gradually comes close with her eyes gleaming.

"Nicknames are, only used by the close family. As for me, please call me Liz."

She approached up to the point our lips touch each other. I started to get a little bit dizzy from her fragrance.

Akihiro-Liz-Kiss			
"Also"			

Her hands wrap around my neck. Aah, it reached my limit, so a part of my brain did some calm and cool judgment.

[&]quot;Also?"

[&]quot;Can you pamper me more?"

"Aah, I don't mind. I'll pamper you as much as you want."

I also moved my hands, embraced her waist and pulled her to me. Our forehead touched, and felt each other's warmth.

"To be honest, things may go far beyond the imagination of Liz, but still I will protect you. Can you please be with me?"

"Fufu. Slow, too slow. I, have already prepared since that day for what is to come."

Both looking at each other then embrace strongly. Her wet eyes, gently closing.

"From now on and towards the far future, please take care of me."

"Until we are taken by the Gods. Let's walk together for a long time."

Our lips lightly touched. While gently touching each other, we started kissing deeply.

Everything I touch is soft. I unconsciously pulled her waist down, and push her down on the bed.

"Ah....."

Liz mutters.

It seems my junior is getting big unconsciously. This is the first time it happened in the recent years, it seems my junior is touching her stomach.

"It's hot..... I am happy that you're aroused because of me."

She smiled like a goddess who can accept everything.

"No. Just like I said earlier, we will hold on till you reach 16-year-old."

She pouted.

"Fine by me. I will try my best so that you will not be able to endure anymore."

She declared so with a bright smile. Indeed she's a bright child.

"Please be easy on me."

Well as a compromise she wants to sleep together in the bed, so I made some

space for her.

We repeatedly hugged and kissed each other, every time feeling an even stronger warmth.

While repeating countless kisses, I whisper.

"Good night, Liz"

"Good night, Hiro, have a nice dream"

Aah, it's been a long time since I slept next to someone.

While being enveloped with a feeling of satisfaction and security, I fell asleep.

Aah, I forgot to ask about the fruits on the TODO list.

Is what I thought, but since she's already sleeping, it should be fine wait till tomorrow so I let go of my consciousness.

I hope tomorrow will be a nice day as well.

Chapter 22 – Long Time Ago, You Did Play Finger Gun While Saying Pew Pew, Didn't You?

I woke up after sensing the movement of a person.

After turning to the side, I saw the face of Liz since she was looking at me.

"Fufu. Hiro's sleeping face is so cute *ne*. Usually, you have your eyebrows furrowed and you look really normal but when you're sleeping you look so innocent."

I am really ashamed.

The sun is not up yet.

"You're an early bird."

I hugged her, touching our lips.

"I have to prepare for this morning. Jaa~ Let's meet each other at the breakfast."

Liz escaped from my arms, then she went to the kitchen.

As far as I can see looking through the windows, it seems it's going to rain. It'll be difficult to gather in such weather. Since it's like this, I will try to learn some magic, so let's ask them to introduce me somewhere.

I grabbed the bag containing the fruits that I gathered yesterday, then I went to the kitchen.

"Ohayougozaimasu"

After saying that, Tishia turned while smiling.

"Ara, Ohayou. You're early today."

"I was woken up by Liz. Is there anything that I can help you with?"

"Hmm. It might be a hassle, but can you help me by drawing water?"

Borrowing the cloak, I held the water jug and proceeded to the shared well. Around the well, there were elderly women who were preparing for the morning, drawing water while they were happily talking to each other.

"Ohayougozaimasu"

"Oh, G'morning. Are, you..... You're the kid in Asuto's house, right?"

A motherly woman called out to me.

"Hai. I've been there since the other day."

"My father is working at the guild, so I heard that there's someone who keeps on bringing lots of Vuass grass, is that you?"

"Soudesune. I found a good gathering place by coincidence. I will be happy if I am helping someone somewhere."

"Ahahahaha. The guys at the pharmacists' guild were able to work a lot because of that. It's helpful because there are no users of Healing God's spells that come in this village."

"Sometimes a vigilante group comes to get help for their scars and we're able to help them. So thank you."

"Soo soo, if we're talking about Asuto's house, isn't there a lady called Lizatia living there? How's everything in regards to that?"

A lady that's around 20 years old called out to me. When I looked at her left hand I saw a ring on her ring finger. It seems the culture about that is the same here.

"I got engaged yesterday."

"Ara, you don't look like it but aren't you a fast lady killer. The date you arrived at Asuto's house is just the other day right?"

"Hai, but I haven't touched her. Just engagement."

"Ara ara. Gochisousama. Gochisousama"

While talking here and there, people are getting water from the well in orderly fashion.

It's now my turn and thankfully, the well has a roof and a pulley system. Maybe the development of pulley is still ongoing.

I turn the handle while it's making a creaking sound, and pulled out the bucket. I fill the water jug by using the bucket twice, and then returned the bucket to

the well. Since the jug is around 10 Liters, it comes to my waist. While making "Fuu" noises I return home.

"I came back."

"Ara, Arigatou. Wasn't it a lot of work?"

"Don't worry, since I am indebted to you."

As soon as I lifted the jar, I noticed that my muscle pains started to attack. A delay of 1 day, seems I'm still young.

The inside of the house was filled with the fragrance of warm breakfast.

The breakfast was rye porridge with bacon and spinach. The garlic is really evident.

"Today's weather is bad, so the hunting will be on hold. We will go for the equipment maintenance instead. We caught a big game too."

Asuto said so.

"Then, what will Hiro do?"

When Liz said that her father and mother made a surprised face.

"I was thinking of learning magic. Is there any place where I can receive teachings?"

"The second floor of the general store handles magic tools. If I am not mistaken the shop owner is a magician."

Tishia answered me.

"But, Hiro....?"

As expected she's grinning.

I can tell that my face is turning red just like Liz.

"You got engaged, even something like that should be all right."

With Asuto's follow up the main point of the conversation became blurry.

"I won't be any help to your study even if I come. So I will just help father."

Liz stood up and headed to the barn.

"I don't know how long it will take. So for lunch, I will eat outside. Thank you

for everything."

I stood up from my seat, grabbed the cloak that I borrowed, and headed to the general store.

The drizzle started to get strong. Since the cloak was not treated with water-repellant, my body was getting cold.

Being overweight can cause weakness to cold. But well, it doesn't mean strong to heat either.

"Welcome. You also have visited yesterday, how can we help you?"

The gray-headed owner speaks to me.

"I would like to study magic. There should be a magician here, right?"

"Hai. If that's the case please go up with the stairs at the back."

I passed through the back of the general store and climbed the steep stairs. Reaching the top, I saw a counter and a man seemingly in his 40s.

"Youkoso. How can I help you?"

"I would like to study magic, I heard that I can receive teaching here so I came."

"Naruhodo. You're an aspiring student. My name is Purdis . Omae wa?"

"Akihiro"

He looked thoroughly at me with his eyes observing me, then he opened his mouth.

"I can see you have 'Magic Control'activated. Magic power is circulating around you. Where did you learn?"

"I haven't received any teaching. Due to some circumstances it looks like it's been activated unconsciously."

"Ahh, mendokusai. Can you stop that way of talking? Just talk frankly. Though getting it activated unconsciously is rare, I heard that such thing can happen if you have lived in a place where magic power is abundant, so is that what happened?"

"No, that's not the case. Ahh.. It was at the whims of a God."

"So the God who governs magic. Though I don't know what's up but it's amusing. You don't need the basic training for 'Magic Control'anymore."

"Basic Training?"

"You go to a place that's abundant with magic and memorize the feeling of magic power. After that you train your imaging by visualizing turning magic power into a magic skill. Since you can already activate it, the only thing you need is to familiarize with it and to master it by training."

He raised the counter plate and we went towards the back of the room. We went through two rooms and then saw one room with a desk and a blackboard. In the back, I can see a target board.

"There is a distinction between Magic and Magic Skill. Do you know the difference?"

"No, I don't"

"Magic is the law as is. While varying magic skills exist, recognition and invocation is stipulated by the law. Sometimes the God who governs magic changes the regulation about magic. *Maa*, the change only happens about once every decade. But magic skill is supposed to create a phenomenon by matching your image with the prescribed technique by the law "

Is it like the relationship between program specifications and syntax?

"Do you have attribute control for something?"

"For wind."

"So it's wind. Though I'm not that good at it..... I will show you an example. Look carefully."

Purdis went towards the target board, and he extended his right arm.

"Attribute: Wind. Establish Pressure. Spherical shape with a diameter of 5cm. Source: 20 cm above the right hand. Blast straight forward, speed is 80km/h. Activate."

After Purdis said some chant-like words, something came out of his right hand and started to swirl, then blasted towards the target board.

As soon as it hit the board, the wind scattered after making a thunderous

sound.

"How was it? You should be fine if you manage to make one of these."

"Sugoi, this is the first time I saw."

"Then, I will do a quick explanation of magic skill."

We went to the blackboard.

- Define the attribute to use
- Imagine the operation of the attribute
- Imagine the shape of the object which is to be realized
- Imagine where it will be formed
- Imagine the behavior of the object that will be formed
- If there is no breakdown in the above image, processing will be activated at the execute instruction.

"The reason why we speak it out is to form the image easily. If you're someone who can image perfectly inside your brain then chanting is not necessary."

"Do you want to try it out?"

"Hai."

I stood at the front of the target board and made a finger gun pose.

"Attribute: Wind. Establish Pressure."

The image is a sphere of wind around 30cm compressed to 5mm, floating in the air.

"The shape is: 7mm lenght, 5mm radius, with a 2mm flat cone head."

I imagined a rifle bullet.

"Realization point fixed around 10 cm in front of the index finger. Blast straight forward. The speed is 250km/h"

I aimed at the center of the board so that my finger will not shake.

"Execute."

There was no recoil. As soon as I said execute there was a thunderous sound,

and the center of the board is hollowed out around 5cm in a cone shape. The back of the board showed signs of penetration.

"Oi, oi oi. It's your first time right? And is that wind? What did you do for it to become like this? Wind should be used by blasting the enemy with air pressure. But look at this, it penetrated."

As for me, my head was hurting a lot and I felt sluggish. Also, I felt sick.

"Ahh. You compressed the wind while you were establishing the pressure. Though a lot of your energy will be taken just by doing this. In this regard, you just have to get used to it. Though, you sure have shown something from the first try. Did you learn this from the Magic God?"

While laughing, he guided me to the sofa and prepared some tea.

"Go rest a bit. That's expected from a beginner."

I will take that offer gladly and rest.

Chapter 23 – Will I Be Able to Fly Freely in the Skies?

The feeling of sluggishness and the headache have started to go away while I was sitting on the sofa and drinking the tea that I was given.

"This, I can't use it repeatedly."

I said so while supporting my staggering head.

"If your'Magic Control' levels up, the efficiency of converting magic to a magic skill will also go up. If that happens your strength will not melt away. Also, I don't know what kind of image you had in mind, but something like that is unreasonable. The moment it hit the target it both pierced and destroyed. Since it has density and speed it will dig onto the opponent, and then it also releases the pressure, so it will explode inside the opponent. If that thing hits someone's head, not even a speck will remain."

I flattened its head hoping to raise the surface damage instead of its penetration performance, but I wonder if it would be better to hollow it like a hollow point.

"Well, this is the foundation of the basic magic skills. There are other things such as Multiple Activation Skill, Parallel Activation Skill, and Continuous Activation Skill, but about those, it is too early for you. Although there is more to learn about magical skills, I am a drop-out from magic school. It feels like I'm suddenly scouted as a teacher."

"Multiple Activation Skills?"

"Alright, this is for future reference. Wait a moment, I'll get ready."

Purdis prepared a new target board.

"Attribute: Earth. Unit 5g. Spherical shape with a diameter of 5mm. Number of activations is 10. Activation source: 20cm above my right hand. Blast straight forward, speed: 150km/h. One second after contact, reconvert to magic. Activate."

10 stones started to float above Purdis' right hand, then went flying towards the target board and made a loud noise. It left beautiful holes in the board.

"The attribute I'm most efficient with is Earth. Back at my parents home, we were working with stones. The Single Activation Skill makes only one event, but with Multiple Activation Skill, you can make many. Also, you can differentiate the behavior of each activation. This time, because it was too much work, I kept all activations the same. When working in a party, there might be a need to bend the trajectory to shoot from behind cover, and you might have to hit multiple targets at once."

Why is it that my head cannot catch up with the current situation. Do I need an aptitude like the new generation?

"With the Parallel Activation Skill, you can activate several different Single Activation Skills at once. But if you want to do that, you'll have to do it without chanting. As for the Continuous Activation Skill, it's just as the name suggests, as long as there is no condition to end it, it will stay activated continuously. Using the wind attribute, there was someone who could fly in the skies."

I started to feel that I can act like playing a robot game operated with two joysticks.

"Well, for the time being, I suggest you keep using Single Activation Skill to learn your limits and then level up your Magic Control'."

He does act like a decent teacher.

"How much would the teaching fee be?"

Because it was a private tutoring, I feel that he will ask for a lot of money.

"What's your profession? Are you a mercenary?"

"Adventurer. 10th rank."

"Beginner is it. I can't receive any money if it's like that. At least reach the 8th rank, then I can ask for some. If I am not busy with work I can attend you. If you are fine with that, then come again."

It seems he's like a pretty pleasant older brother.

"Please take care of me from now on, master."

"Hahahaha. I'm not that type. Just call me Purdis. Though you look young, our age doesn't differ that much, am I right?"

"Then, Purdis-san."

"Ou. Yoroshiku. You're a funny beginner."

"Arigathanks Gozaimuchita"

Finishing the lessons, I was at a loss since I didn't know what to do after the study. So I went to the Adventurer's Guild to look for requests that could be done within the village.

Opening the door, I could see people everywhere. I wonder if everyone thinks the same when it's raining.

While going to the request board to check it,

"Chotto Anta!"

A redhead girl with sharp eyes called out to me.

Because I felt it would be a hassle I tried to ignore her, but she grabbed my sleeve.

"You, you're a magician right!?"

What a rude girl.

"Anoo..... Sumimasen"

With a shaky voice, a black haired girl appeared. She seemed nervous.

"Because the circulation of your magic looked pretty...... So I thought that you're a magician....."

Looking at her, she is also circulating surrounding magic and converting it into her own magic.

"No, you're wrong."

I don't want to be caught up in a trouble.

"Anta! I, the 7th rank Arie, is talking to you, ya know? Can't you listen properly?"

"But, since I am a 10th rank, I think it's impossible for us to work together, so I will refuse."

Looks like the black-haired girl just wants to watch the other one who keeps

on blabbering.

For now, let's avoid the source of danger and browse the request board.

To be honest, since everyone is thinking the same there are no eye-catching requests.

Can't be helped. Let's change the objective and find a vacant place in the village, and practice magic.

While going out of the guild, the redhead from earlier was staring at me awfully.

Why is that?

Fuu, because it's raining today, my motivation is not going up.

Chapter 24 – When I Partied With the Lil Devil for the First Time I Felt Despair After Getting Told to Just Sit Down

I imagined a 30cm wind sphere compressed to 5mm.

"Attribute: Wind. Establish Pressure. The shape is cone with a 2mm hollow point, 5mm diameter, 7mm length. Realization point is 10cm in front of my index finger. Fire forward, speed is 300km/h. Execute."

As soon as it hit the tree that has about 30cm in diameter, it penetrated as it made a loud noise and the debris started to scatter.

I am in a forested area on the way to the northern forest. Since there are no flammable trees, I will use this place as my practice area.

I approached the tree and checked the area where the wind bullet hit. There is a hole about 10cm deep on the surface, but when I tried to stick in my finger, I noticed that the hole is twice larger than what it looked like. There are many cracks spreading from the center, maybe due to lack of an escape place for the wind released by decompression.

"I can't use this for man-to-man battle. It will cause a splatter. I'll only use this as a trump card when something happens."

It was the same image as before, but I do not feel as sluggish as before. Maybe this is the getting used to it thing that Purdis said.

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Let's confirm it.

"Perform self-Identify."

$\$Skill List$

'IB'

'Identify'

'Acquisition'

'Stealth'0.12
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'Bravery'0.20

'Fua Continental Common Language (conversation)'0.23

'Fua Continental Common Language (reading comprehension)'0.07

'Fua Continental Common Language (describing)'0.01

'Spearmanship'0.18

'Alertness'0.34

'Pray'1.20

'Magic Control'1.12

'Attribute Control(Wind)'1.33

'Alertness'has risen considerably. I wonder if it's because I was careful while doing the collection requests.

'Pray'has risen a lot even though I just used it once. I guess that's expected after getting answered frankly like that.

'Magic Control'also rose. Maybe it went up after getting taught about it properly.

'Attribute Control(wind)'also rose considerably. Although I can only use wind, it's nice to see my hard work getting rewarded.

"Cancel self-identify"

Well, for now, I guess it will be getting used to it and thus improving Magic Control'.

Along the way, let's try other shapes as well.

I imagined compressing 10cm spherical wind to a sphere of 1mm.

"Attribute: Wind. Establish Pressure. The shape is a board, 0.5mm thick, 10cm long and 40cm wide. Realization point in 10cm in front of the index finger. Fire forward, the speed is 100km/h. Execute"

This time I tried releasing it towards a different tree.

I heard a high pitch sound. Nothing has been broken. After getting closer, I could see a slit in the middle of the tree.

"Looks like slicing is possible as well. Though this also looks too dangerous when used in battle against a human. If it's an organic being it will slice through, no doubt about it."

I suddenly felt a headache. Though this is not like before, it's still painful.

"Being magician seems hard. If the rear guard is composed of archers and magicians, and they are not treated well, they will not have much effect"

I remembered the MP management of the old MMORPG wizard. I was told that it's fine for me to take breaks, but because I like being busy it was conflicting for me.

It was past lunch when I looked at my watch. Looks like I was into practicing much more than I thought.

Well, for now, let's eat lunch, then go practice constraining magic and glaive wielding.

I returned to the village heading to the only restaurant.

"Irraishaimase"

A cheerful girl comes out.

Seems lunch is a fixed set meal.

After ordering the food, it came out pretty fast.

It was bird meat saute with a soup made with various vegetables, and a side of wheat bread.

I guess saute is as expected. As for the soup, I thought it will be full of only vegetables, but there were bacon bits here and there and the soup stock was good.

I eat wheat bread from time to time, but maybe because the fermentation was insufficient or not enough yeast, it was hard to eat, so I ate it while dipping it to the soup.

I am full. I am satisfied.

"Gochisousamadesu"

"Haai. You're so sociable-desu ne. It will be 600 Wars"

I gave 5000 Wars, and received 4 pieces of 1000 Wars, and 4 pieces of 100 Wars.

"Thank you very much. Please come again."

After getting sent off by the cheerful girl, I left the shop, and the weather started to clear up.

I'm grateful that I won't have to continue my training in the rain. I went back to Asuto's house.

"I'm home."

Liz came to receive me in a rush.

"Okaerinasai. How was it? Did you learn something?"

"Yup. He is a good teacher. I'm grateful for letting me know about him. It was really helpful."

"Sokka, yokatta. Could you show me later?"

"What happened to helping Asuto-san?"

"Aha, ahahaha. I will go do my best....."

She returned to the barn dejectedly.

Well then, training my glaive wielding is first.

After arriving at the field, I start swinging like drawing the rice kanji{米}, like the day before.

While I was repeatedly and swiftly swinging the glaive, I started to feel the presence of a person. When I suddenly raised my face, I saw Liz staring at me without blinking.

"Ooooi, are you done helping?"

After asking her with a tone of somewhat giving up. She approached me with a blushed face.

"Yup. You look very cool when trying your best."

She gave me a kiss while smiling brightly, then she returned to the barn. Yup. This sweetness is indeed a youthful thing. Though it was more than 20 years ago for me.

For the time being, I devote myself back to practicing. Sweat started to come out from my whole body, my arms started to shake. But this time, I was able to keep swinging for 50 minutes.

Is this the way of living that you can expect from a determined man. Though I only extended my training for 20 minutes.

I received some scraps from Asuto-san who is in the barn, and made a target.

For now, in regards to constraining, I will target limbs and try to restrict movement instead of something sure-kill.

Just getting hit by a small stone can make movement dull.

I imagined a spherical wind of 10cm and compressed to about 5mm.

"Attribute: Wind. Establish Pressure. The shape is a cone with a radius of 5mm and a length of 1cm. Realization point is 10cm in front of my index finger. Fire forward, the speed is at 300km/h. Execute"

It made a small hole into a 5cm thick piece of waste material. Hmm. I'm a little uneasy about the power. The feeling is that it stopped at the fatty layer when skinning a wild boar.

In this case, let's try Rifling.

I imagined a spherical wind of 10cm and compressed to about 5mm.

"Attribute: Wind. Establish Pressure. The shape is a cone with a radius of 5mm and a length of 1cm. Realization point is 10cm in front of my index finger. Fire forward while spinning, the speed is 300km/h. Execute."

I heard a strong piercing sound. Looking at the waste material, it penetrated.

After that, I repeated fine adjustments of activation, behavior, and speed.